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THE GOVERNMENT'S LUDICROUS POSITION.

Concluding his visit to Ipswich last week, Sir Chas. Dalrymple, M.P., spoke at a well-attended concert in St. John's Schoolroom on Friday evening. Mr. Edward Packard, jun., presided, and in introducing Sir Charles Dalrymple he alluded in sympathetic terms to the protracted illness through which Lord Elcho had passed, and announced amid applause that Lord Elcho had written, saying that one of his first duties on his return to England would be to come among his Ipswich friends. Proceeding to speak of the political situation generally, Mr. Packard referred to the magnificent reception which Mr. Arthur Balfour received in Newcastle a few weeks ago, and mentioned the singular fact that there was no more popular name throughout Ireland to-day than that of the leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, who was not only the great leader of the Conservative party in the Commons, but also the first statesman who had in reality conferred great benefit upon the Irish people. Mr. Balfour's legislation had provoked a great amount of industry in Ireland, and done more for the welfare of her people than all the long and laboured efforts of Mr. Gladstone and his party. (Cheers.) One of the great things the Radical party were attempting was to create a disturbance over the House of Lords, but it was a curious fact that one of the greatest and most delightful speeches made at the Newcastle conference, to which he had referred, was made by a young man of about 24 years of age, whose grandfathers were the Duke of Northumberland on one side and the Duke of Argyle on the other side; while his father was Lord Percy, who would eventually enter the House of Lords. That was the kind of men of which the House of Lords was largely composed, and at the present time the Upper House was composed of

MEN OF THE GREATEST ABILITY,

men untrammelled by party ties, and men who were not dependent upon votes, and who were in a position to give an unbiased opinion on the great questions before the country. Unfortunately for the Radical party, when members of the House of Lords took an independent view of matters affecting our social and national welfare they were able to join in the Unionist line of politics rather than the Radical and destructive line. He thought, however, they would all agree that the attempted agitation by Lord Rosebery and his party against the House of Lords had fallen rather flat all over the country. (Cheers.) The House of Lords had been attacked chiefly on the score of its having prevented certain measures being passed into law; but, with regard to the Home Rule and the Employers' Liability Bill, he thought they had much cause for thankfulness that they had a House of Lords. (Renewed cheers.) The working men of this country might have had an Employers' Liability Act had not Mr. Gladstone, in a fit of ill-temper, rejected the Lords' amendment. He (Mr. Packard) predicted that when a Unionist Government under Lord Salisbury came into office, an Employers' Liability measure would be passed which would prove a real benefit to the working classes. Having pointed to the trivial pretexts on which the Radicals based complaints against the Peers, the Chairman concluded by expressing the hope that the electors of St. John's would show their determination to maintain the Constitution under which they had on the whole fared so well for so long a period. (Applause.)

Sir CHAS. DALRYMPLE, M.P., who met with a most cordial reception, took up the thread of the Chairman's remarks and observed that the state of politics at the present time was very strange, and stranger still, he thought, was the position of the Government. The position of the Government would be ludicrous altogether were it not for the important stake involved in what the Government did. Some aspects of its position were truly ludicrous. They were at the mercy of this or that section of their following, and some of those sections were very imperious and difficult to deal with. Who would have thought some few years ago that the great Radical party—although it was not so great as it used to be—(laughter)—would have been at the mercy of the Irish vote in the House of Commons? And yet there was no man living in Parliament to-day who opposed the Irish vote more strenuously than the present Radical leader in the House of Commons (Sir Wm. Harcourt). The Radical Government also showed great levity in the way in which they tried to play off one section of their supporters against another. It was a question of

WHICH SECTION WAS THE MOST TROUBLESOME,

and that dictated which subject they would deal with first. What was a church or the condition of property to them when only the interests of the Government were considered? But the Government had had recently to endure a very strange experience. Mr. Gladstone in his spare time had taken to writing letters, and he had lately written two letters—one on the subject of the Local Veto Bill and the other on the subject of Education—and in both of them had used language which was totally at variance with the language he had held when in office and the acknowledged leader of the Liberal party. He (Sir Charles) believed that as time went on they would see some further exhibitions of the same kind. It would not be at all surprising if Mr. Gladstone were to write that he held exactly the same views which he formerly did on the question of Employers' Liability, but that he could not disguise from himself the desirability of allowing employers and employed to make terms with one another wherever it was possible. Nor would it be surprising if he were to write a letter some day, stating that a good deal might be said for Disestablishment, but that still, on looking at the whole subject, he could not see how it would be right to arrest the progress of good work being done by the Church by dissolving its connection with the State. (Laughter.) In regard to the present attitude of the Radical party, two salient points were to be noticed—one was the desire of the Government if they dared, and of their general supporters at all hazards, to shelve the question of Home Rule; the other was the desire to pick a quarrel with the House of Lords. Radical speakers were now particularly careful about keeping Home Rule in the background. If they did refer to it they used some

MELLIFLUOUS EUPHEMISM

to disguise the real nature of Mr. Gladstone's project, although Earl Spencer had made the awful threat that he would leave the Government if Home Rule was dropped. Mr. Bryce, at Ipswich, also said that the Radical party were just as great Home Rulers as ever they were. But the whole of their speeches considered only went to show the hollowness and insincerity of the party respecting that question. In regard to the revolutionary agitation against the Constitution, Sir Charles Dalrymple said two statements were commonly made now-a-days by Radical speakers, which were absolutely contradictory. One was a statement as to the triumphant course of legislation which the Radical party had carried through in the last so many years—on great occasions they called it fifty years—(laughter)—and the next was that no useful legislation could be passed because of the House of Lords. The two things were utterly irreconcilable, for all the measures of the past must have gone through the House of Lords, or they would not have become law. Lord Rosebery had talked about bringing forward something in the nature of a revolution, but what he meant after all was apparently expressed in the similarly-sounding word of resolution, which would carry the scheme they professed to have in view "no forrarder." (Laughter.) However that might be, the truth was that the House of Lords had never defied the definite and unmistakable will of the people of the country. All they had done recently was to

REJECT A CERTAIN MEASURE

in respect of which the country had not expressed a clear and unmistakable opinion. (Hear, hear.) In 1868, when the general election turned practically upon the question of disestablishing the Irish Church, and Mr. Gladstone went into power with a large majority, the House of Lords accepted that decision, and Lord Salisbury, of whom Radicals always spoke with withering contempt, himself voted for the Bill. To say that all legislation was impossible on account of the House of Lords was therefore a signally unjust accusation, contrary to the facts. Behind all these arguments there remained the material question whether there should or should not be a Second Chamber. Mr. Labouchere and some who thought with him wanted one Chamber only; but Lord Rosebery was a Second Chamber man. Mr. Bryce (who recently spoke at Ipswich) had argued very strongly on the same side, and in the Home Rule Bill Mr. Gladstone proposed to create or invent a Second Chamber in Ireland. Accepting this as the more authoritative opinion of the Liberal party, Sir Charles contended that any reform or reconstruction of the House of Lords would strengthen that body rather than weaken it, and that this would not at all "suit the book" of the Radical party. (Laughter and applause.) In conclusion Sir Charles said that he and his colleague meant to stand again for Ipswich whenever the election came, and that he hoped and believed they would again be returned. (Cheers.)—A vote of thanks was then passed, on the motion of Mr. C. Smith, seconded by Mr. Abbott Lord. Although many of the performers were unable to be present owing to the extremely unpropitious character of the weather the concert was very enjoyable. Instrumental selections by Mr. E. Packard's family and a song by Miss C. Packard were greatly appreciated; Mr. W. Dewhurst was heartily applauded for his rendering of "The King's Own," while the humorous element was well sustained by Messrs. T. Pettitt, Will. May, and G. H. Smith.

MORTALITY IN IPSWICH.

An Abstract of the Return of Deaths for the week ending Saturday, December 15th, 1894.

Lacy Street—diphtheria, 3 years, female.
Ann Street—marasmus, 6 years, female.
Union Workhouse—constitutional disease, 21 days, male.
Ocean Queen Yard—bronchitis, 3 months, female.
Plough Street—pneumonia, 62 years, male.
Stanley Avenue—bronchitis and dropsy, 44 years, male.
Upper Orwell Courts—gastric enteritis, 22 years, female.
Newson Street—heart disease and apoplexy, 58 years, female.
Union Workhouse—heart and liver disease, 53 years, male.
Union Workhouse—heart disease, 74 years, female.
East Suffolk Hospital—heart disease, 70 years, female.
Withipoll Street—stricture of œsophagus, 77 years, female.
Felixstowe Road—apoplexy, 52 years, female.
Wolsey Street—prostatic disease, 67 years, male
Union Workhouse—diabetes coma, 75 years, male.
Orford Street—old age, 80 years, male.
Union Workhouse—old age, 80 years, male.
Christchurch Street—old age, 80 years, male.

Males, 9; females, 9; total, 18.
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FOOTBALL NOTES.

[BY HALF-BACK.]

The Ipswich Town Club have at great financial sacrifice induced the Peterboro' Club to forego their right of playing the final tie in the qualifying competition for the English Amateur Cup at Peterboro'. The match will therefore be decided this afternoon upon the Portman Road enclosure, the kick off, according to regulations, being punctually at two o'clock. There are, I believe I might almost say, several thousands who are interested in the welfare of the Town Club, especially in the matter of English Cup matches. It behoves these people therefore to turn up in full force, not only to support their representatives with their cheers, but also with their shillings and sixpences in order to insure the club against pecuniary loss. Their patronage, I think it safe to promise, will be amply rewarded by a capital game, for the Peterboro' men are a good stiff lot to deal with, and the "Stripes" will have nothing to throw away in the match.

The teams will be as under:—Ipswich Town: P. P. Cornell, goal; A. Bailey and H. H. Walford, backs; A. J. Haward, F. W. Turner, and C. F. Woods, halves: E. R. Oxborrow and E. A. Kent, right; H. T. Ratcliff, centre; A. A. Towns and W. Cotton, left. Linesman, S. A. Notcutt. Peterborough: W. Hare, goal; M. Bruster and F. Moore, backs; W. J. Core, A. Carney, and H. W. Hill, halves; A. Allen and H. Rintoul, right; E. S. T. Badger, centre; G. Forman and E. Butler, left. Linesman, H. Baynes. Referee, Mr. J. W. Shuker (Framlingham College).

Bury Alexandra met with their first reverse in the West Suffolk League match against Long Melford upon the ground of the latter club. The result was for a long time in doubt, although the Melford men played the better game all through. It was not till close upon time that Beales put on the deciding goal, which gave his side a narrow victory by two goals to one. The Haverhill Rovers were engaged at Sudbury against the Town team, the match being left drawn with the score at one all. Sudbury are showing some signs of improvement. Glemsford at length altered the singularly unique character of their League record by beating Lavenham at home by five goals to nil. Their record, which previously read—played 7, won 1, lost 6, goals scored for 1, against 28, being now improved.

The West Suffolk League table revised to date stands as under:—

	Pld.	Won.	Drn.	Lst.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Bury Alexandra	6	5	0	1	25	3	10
Haverhill Rovers	7	4	2	1	13	7	10
Long Melford	8	5	0	3	25	11	10
Haverhill Town	4	3	0	1	19	4	6
Glemsford	8	2	0	6	6	28	4
Sudbury	5	0	3	2	2	7	3
Lavenham	4	1	0	3	1	15	2
Bury Town	4	0	1	3	2	17	1

Three matches were also played in the North Suffolk League. Beccles College received a second reverse upon their own ground, going under to Kirkley to the tune of three goals to none. It would certainly appear from this fact that the Collegians, like the proverbial Scotchmen, are never so much at home as when they are abroad. The result of this game meant a good deal for both clubs, but Kirkley have now secured such a lead that it would be a somewhat difficult matter for another club to overhaul them. Saxmundham are coming on with a vengeance. Following their romp away from Halesworth the week previous, they on Saturday walked round the Lowestoft Townsmen to the tune of four to one, and upon the latter's ground to boot. Their home match with Kirkley was evidently a week or two too early, for had the game to be played over again I am inclined to think the result would have been different.

The result of the remaining game was a great surprise and embodied a remarkable reversion of form. Halesworth were at home to Beccles Caxton, and managed to score a couple of points by two goals to one. After their poor display against the Hurts Hall men in the previous week, it was not generally supposed that Halesworth could stave off defeat at the hands of the redoubtable Beccles printers, but the unexpected happened. The Caxtonians must really be careful or their chances of securing the championship will be greatly diminished. The North Suffolk League table now stands as under:—

	Pld.	Won.	Drn.	Lst.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Kirkley	4	4	0	0	16	7	8
Chaucer Press	4	2	1	1	8	3	5
Beccles Caxton	4	2	1	1	7	4	5
Beccles College	5	2	1	2	8	9	5
Saxmundham	4	2	0	2	12	8	4
Halesworth	4	2	0	2	6	10	4
Lowestoft Town	5	1	0	4	10	18	2
Leiston	4	0	1	3	3	11	1

Harwich and Parkeston tasted defeat for the first time this season on Saturday upon the Portman Road ground. The enclosure has not the happiest memories for the Essex seasiders, and the record of their performances was not enhanced by Saturday's game. The Town were without Woods and Walford, H. C. Murrell filling the former's place, whilst E. Heppard found a place in the team for the first time. The visitors were without Nalborough, but otherwise were well represented, a considerable following of their supporters augmenting the somewhat thin attendance of the public. The high wind, which was blowing down the field from the river goal, spoiled the character of the play to a considerable extent, and may probably account for the Town not scoring even more than the six goals by which they won.

Murrells proved a capital substitute for Woods, whilst Heppard also thoroughly justified his selection. Bailey was a trifle off-colour, and had the Harwich forwards been smarter in front of the sticks they might have scored on more than one occasion. Fernie, Watts, and Middleton performed fairly well, but the two latter invariably dallied too long with the ball. The three Town halves had little difficulty in dealing with the attack, whilst of the home front rank Kent was far and away the smarter, his tactics fairly puzzling the Harwich backs. Ratcliff was not at the best, whilst Oxborrow occasionally fumbled the ball clumsily. Towns, however, did excellent work, and Cotton performed creditably. Cornell, to quote a just now familiar phrase in Ipswich, "did nothing in particular, and did it very well."

Howard and Mills at back for the visitors worked unremittingly, but spoiled their forwards' chances in the first half by invariably kicking too strongly when playing with the wind. It would be well to remind the visitors' halves that it is more often efficacious to take the ball than the man, and also to recommend them to study the meaning of a "foul" as described in the rules of the game.

The Ipswich Middle School Past and Present were engaged at Christchurch Park with Stowmarket, whom they managed to defeat by three goals to one. It was an interesting match, and the visitors showed some excellent mettle, although they could not prevail against the fine defence of the home club, for which M. A. Cattermole has now resumed his position as goalkeeper.

The Framlingham Collegians made an awful example of South Yarmouth, who were paying the scholars a visit. Carrying all before them, the home lot rattled up a total of no less than eight goals without allowing their opponents once to reply. This is treating visitors to a warm reception with a vengeance.

The usual match between the rival schools of Ipswich and Bury was played on Saturday on the ground of the former. The visitors were without Richmond, Topham, and Bagshaw, which considerably weakened their ranks. A somewhat easy win for the Ipswich scholars by four goals to *nil* was the result.

A. R. Mumford, the smart Framlingham College half, has become a member of the Ipswich Town Club, for which, it is understood, he will play regularly after Christmas. He will be eligible for Suffolk Cup play, holding a birth qualification.

Other local matches on Saturday ended as under, the first-named being the home club:—
Colchester Town 5, Chelmsford 2.
Brantham Athletic 4, St. Peter's Institute 1.
Bungay Chaucer Press 9, Fauconberge School 2.
Leiston 1, Orwell Works (Ipswich) 1.
Felixstowe 0, Landguard Fort 0.
Haverhill Town 2, Saffron Walden 3.
St. Helen's (Ipswich) 1, St. Mary Stoke 2.
Northgate School 2, Cowell's 2nd 4.
Haughley 1, Bury Town 4.
Bramford Works 0, Ipswich Town 3rd 0.

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The Ipswich School Past v. Present match took place on Monday, but, although the Present scored a victory the result is not a reliable indication of relative merit, the Past being but feebly represented.

Saturday League games were productive of another win each for Everton and Sunderland. The leaders did best in beating Preston North End upon the Deepdale enclosure by two goals to one. Sunderland, on the other hand, were at home to the Blackburn Rovers, and only just scraped home by three goals to two. Derby County, at home, beat Sheffield United 4—1; Liverpool won their second victory, at home, beating Small Heath 3—1; West Bromwich Albion, at home, accounted for Stoke to the tune of 3—2 after a tough game; the two Wanderers teams met at Bolton, the Wolverhampton men receiving a severe beating by 6—1; Sheffield Wednesday, at Sheffield, could only draw with Notts Forest, nothing being scored. There were no mid-week matches, the table now reading:—

	Plyd.	Won	Lost	Drn.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton	16	12	1	3	52	23	27
Sunderland	14	11	1	2	44	15	24
Aston Villa	18	11	6	1	44	23	23
Burnley	16	8	5	3	29	20	19
Preston North End	18	7	7	4	29	29	18
Sheffield Wednesday	15	8	6	1	26	25	17
Blackburn Rovers	17	6	6	5	30	30	17
Sheffield United	17	7	7	3	29	33	17
Notts Forest	15	7	6	2	27	29	16
Small Heath	17	6	7	4	35	46	16
West Bromwich Albion	16	6	7	3	32	33	15
Wolverhampton W.	17	4	9	4	25	40	12
Liverpool	18	2	9	7	26	45	11
Bolton Wanderers	17	3	10	4	27	36	10
Derby County	14	3	8	3	20	32	9
Stoke	15	3	9	3	20	36	9

The second division games on Saturday were only four in number, and resulted as follows, the first-named being the home club:—Notts County 1, Newton Heath 1; Darwen 0, Bury 1; Manchester City 4, Woolwich Arsenal 1; Newcastle United 5, Rotherham 2. The table revised to date is given below:—

	Plyd	Won	Lost	Drn	Goals For	Goals Agst	Pts
Bury	17	14	2	1	48	20	29
Grimsby Town	15	11	4	0	52	26	22
Newton Heath	14	7	2	5	35	20	19
Notts County	15	8	4	3	31	22	19
Darwen	15	7	6	2	30	17	16
Woolwich Arsenal	14	7	5	2	35	34	16
Burton Swifts	14	7	6	1	27	26	15
Newcastle United	15	6	6	3	39	45	15
Manchester City	15	5	8	2	40	41	12
Leicester Fosse	12	4	5	3	28	27	11
Burton Wanderers	12	5	6	1	17	20	11
Lincoln City	11	5	6	0	26	34	10
Walsall	13	5	8	0	20	32	10
Rotherham Town	15	4	11	0	30	40	8
Burslem Port Vale	12	2	9	1	9	31	4
Crewe Alexandra	11	1	10	0	10	42	2

The match arranged to take place on Portman Road Ground on Boxing-day is Ipswich Town v. Upton Park (London), which should be well worth seeing.

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DEATHS.

BARNARD.—16th December, at Stowupland Crown, Charles William, the beloved husband of Mary Ann Barnard, aged 49 years.

BARRY.—14th December, at Christchurch Street, Ipswich, Walter E. Barry, in his 81st year.

BULL.—5th December, very suddenly, of apoplexy, Hannah, the dearly-loved wife of R. G. Bull, Esq., 53, Treherne Road, North Brixton, S.W., and third daughter of the late John Mountain, builder, Yoxford.

CREASY.—12th December, at his residence, Cratfield, Noah Creasy, farmer and dealer, in his 70th year.

CLARKE.—12th December, after a painful operation in St. Thomas's Hospital, London, George Clarke, of Bury Road, Stowmarket.

DOWNING.—19th December, at her residence, Chesnut Tree Cottages, Salisbury Road, Caroline, the beloved wife of Robert Downing.

EADE.—6th November, at Framsden, Willie, aged 6 years; 7th December, Bertie, aged 2 years 11 months; 13th December, Arthur, aged 12 years; the dearly-loved children of Alfred and Bertha Eade. Also, on the 15th December, Bertha, the dearly-loved wife of Alfred Eade, aged 41 years.

FLATT.—8th December, at Felixstowe Road, Florence Gertrude, the beloved infant daughter of William and Sarah Flatt, aged 10 months.

GARROD.—19th December, at 18, Nottidge Road, Ipswich, Annie Jane, the only and dearly-loved daughter of Jeremiah and Jane Garrod, in her 23rd year.

GRIGGS.—15th December, at Mile End Farm, Hartest, Mr. James Griggs, aged 81 years.

HUDSON.—14th December, at Harleston, Norfolk, Caroline, widow of the late Henry Lombard Hudson, in the 83rd year of her age.

HAME.—15th December, at the Poplars, Wrentham, Dorothy Mary, daughter of John Whitefield and Mary Hame, aged 23 months.

JAGGARD.—20th December, at Smedley's Hydro, Matlock, Herbert James, second son of Mr. William Jaggard, Cornhill, Bury St. Edmund's, in his 28th year.

JEAFFRESON.—17th December, at Hove, Brighton, Mary, daughter of the late William Jeaffreson, F.R.C.S., Framlingham.

JENNINGS.—13th December, at Ipswich, William H. D. Jennings, son of the late Thomas Jennings, Tacket Street, Ipswich, in his 63th year.

MAULDEN.—13th December, at Harrow Road, Paddington, Benjamin Maulden, late of Framlingham, aged 73.

MILDMAY.—17th December, at 4, Rosary Gardens, aged 60, Caroline Eugenia, third daughter of the late Carew St. John Mildmay, Archdeacon of Essex, and the Hon. Mrs. St. John Mildmay.

PARMENTER.—17th December, at Stowmarket, a lifelong resident there, Ann, widow of Isaac Parmenter, in her 90th year.

PRIDDEN.—15th December, at 6, Clydesdale Terrace, Ipswich, Marianne Pridden, widow of the Rev. William Pridden, rector of West Stow-cum-Wordwell, aged 78 years.

RUNNACLES.—30th November, at Great Glemham, Ann, widow of the late Ephraim Runnacles, aged 60 years.

REEDER.—15th December, after a short illness, at Stone Cottage, Woodbridge, Robert, the dearly-loved husband of Fanny Reeder, in the 75th year of his age; deeply lamented by all who knew him.

RUSH.—18th December, at Snoreham House, Latchingdon, Sarah Rush, relict of the late Mr. John Rush, Wattisham, aged 84.

READ.—10th December, Hannah, the beloved wife of the late John Read, of Kirton, aged 74.

SINGLETON.—18th December, at 65, Loudon Road, Ipswich (very suddenly), Isabella, the beloved wife of Frank A. Singleton, aged 33 years.

SHEE.—15th December, at Landguard Lodge, Felixstowe, George Darell Shee, Recorder of Hythe, eldest son of the late Honourable Mr. Justice Shee, aged 51.

STORER.—16th December, Sarah Storer, relict of Thomas Storer, of Dennington, in her 81st year.

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TOLD BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

BECCLES CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—The Rev. W. Heather, M.A., of Caterham, has intimated his acceptance of the pastorate of the Congregational Church.

BACTON: PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION.—One of the hardest fought elections in the district was decided on Monday last at Bacton, where a most determined attempt was made to form a political Council regardless of all parish interests. The principal parishioners did all in their power to avoid an election, and were quite willing to allow a majority of labourers, which generous offer was contemptuously rejected. In consequence of the nomination of Mr. A. G. Andrews, of Haughley, a professed politician, and one who has not the slightest interest in Bacton (except politically), whose withdrawal was insisted upon and stoutly refused, a contest became inevitable. The electors took sides—for Andrews and extreme Radicalism, and Home Rule for Bacton and no politics. The result is a grand victory for the latter, who carried all their nine candidates by sweeping majorities, the Rector of the parish polling 76 votes out of 100, in spite of the cry of "No parsons." Of 108 voters who could possibly attend, 101 recorded their votes, with one spoilt paper. Result:—Elected: Stantial, 76; T. F. Woods, 61; C. H. Woods, 59; Baker, 58; Hawes, 58; Adams, 57; Davey, 55; Finbow, 55; and Thurman, 54. Not elected: Sheppard, 40; Betts, 38; Shave, 37; Ford, 36; Palfrey, 34; Farrow, 33; and A. G. Andrews, 23.

BECCLES: ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT BY A LABOURER.—Walter Charles Woolnough, labourer, was charged at Beccles Police Court on Monday with having embezzled £4 3s., paid to him for his master, Mr. W. Woolnough, hay dealer. The prisoner gave himself up to the police late on Sunday night, hearing that a warrant was out against him. He was remanded.

BREDFIELD: LANTERN ENTERTAINMENT.—On Friday last, Mr. Hepburn, of Bredfield, gave a magic lantern entertainment at the school. The stories illustrated were "Each Three," and "How Jane Conquest rang the Bell." The weather was wretched, but there was a very fair attendance, and all present were much pleased with the entertainment. Part of the proceeds will be given to the poor of the parish.

BUNGAY: LOCAL SUCCESSES.—At the recent examination in religious knowledge of those attending schools of a higher grade than elementary in connection with the Diocese of Norwich, the following seven pupils from St. Mary's School, Bungay (principals, the Misses Maddle), successfully passed:—Upper Division, Class II., Nelue Tooley; Class III., Eleanor A. B. Binley and Medora C. E. Read. Middle Division, Class I., Jessie L. Durrant; Class III., Louisa Chase, Gertrude A. Gayford, and Violet M. Rackham.

CODDENHAM: CONCERT AT THE NATIONAL SCHOOL.—A very successful concert, arranged by Mrs. H. Martin, was given in the Schoolroom on Thursday evening. The object was to raise a fund to provide shoes for some of the school children to wear during school hours. Many of them have to come a long distance through wet, muddy lanes, and it was thought that it would be a great boon if they could change their wet shoes for dry ones. The concert realised about £3. Programme:—Prologue (encored), F. Hall; musical drill (encored), school children; song, "Marjory Daw" (encored), Miss Martin; song, "Kitty Clyde," Mr. Fiske (encored); comic interlude (encored), three schoolboys; song, "Constancy" (encored), Miss Wilson; song, "First in the Field" (encored), Mr. Hall; violin solo, "Air Varie" (encored), Miss E. Martin; dialogue, "The Mischief Maker" (encored), school children; song (with violin), "When Twilight comes" (encored), Miss Martin; song, "The Captain of the Lifeboat," Mr. Hall; violin solo, "Loure" (encored), Miss E. Martin; song, "Caller Herrin" (encored), Miss Wilson; song, "Never mind the rest," Mr. Fiske; song, "Needles and Pins," Miss Martin.

DEBENHAM: SALE OF WORK.—On Wednesday and Thursday a sale of work, consisting of a variety of useful and fancy articles, was held in Sir Robert Hitcham's Schoolroom, to raise a fund for the benefit of the poor of the parish. The room was tastefully decorated by the Misses Erskine for the occasion. The stalls were neatly arranged, with a Christmas tree in the centre. Miss Coomb (Crow's Hall) presided over the refreshment department, assisted by Miss Erskine, Miss Abbott, and Miss Gardner. The following ladies presided over the stalls in the schoolroom:—Miss B. Erskine, Miss Mortimer, Miss Amass, Miss Dove, Miss Burch, Miss Allen, Miss Boulton, Miss Perfet, Miss Percy, Miss N. Percy, Miss Duke, Miss K. Erskine, Misses Moulton, Miss E. Mortimer, and Miss Rumsey. The parishioners and many friends from a distance have throughout shown much spirit in regard to this sale of work. There was also another very interesting feature in connection with the sale of work, this was the "Indian Museum," held in a room at the school-house, presided over by Mrs. Duke, who gave a graphic and interesting description of the 78 articles exhibited. The following gave songs, &c., which were much enjoyed:—Miss M. Chevallier, Miss Soden, Miss Perfet, Miss Moulton, and Dr. Fletcher. On the second day there was a fair attendance, and concerts were given at intervals by the Misses Erskine, Mr. Thomas Barker, and Dr. Fletcher; the children also repeated part of their entertainment given the week previously, which was much appreciated by the audiences, and the ladies at the stalls, though very energetic, could not dispose of all their stock before the time for closing the sale, but Mr. A. Preston disposed of the surplus stock by public auction. The sale as a whole was very successful, and much praise is due to the ladies for their voluntary services.

DISS AND DISTRICT TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of this Association was held at the National Schools, Eye, on Saturday, and was largely attended The following were elected for the ensuing year:—Vice-president, Mr. H. Barradell; secretary and treasurer, Mr. Bardwell; committee, Messrs. Pumfrey, Balls, Pullen, Bray, and Mrs. Balls. A discussion, introduced by Mr. Bray, followed, and the following resolution was carried unanimously:—"That the object lessons and suitable occupations recently introduced into the code are impracticable until a large measure of relief is afforded in other subjects." All present were entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Bray.

EAST BERGHOLT SCHOOL CONCERTS.—The ninth annual school concert was held in the Schoolroom at Burnt Oak, East Bergholt, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, and the prizes for sewing and knitting, given by the Hon. Mrs. Halford, were handed to the successful scholars by the Chairman, the Rev. J. J. Lias. The entertainment was well attended on both evenings, and the boys and girls sustained their respective parts and characters in the operetta of "Jack the Giant Killer" with great credit to their teachers, Mr. Turnbull, Miss Hicks, and Miss Clarke.

EYE: FOWL ROBBERY.—Thirty-six chickens and two turkeys were stolen on Saturday from a fowlhouse at Thorndon Hill Farm, in the occupation of Mr. Herbert Nunn. The door of the house was locked as usual at night; in the morning it was found to be broken.

EYE: SERVICE OF SONG.—A service of song entitled "Nell," was given by a mixed choir at the Wesleyan Chapel, on Tuesday evening, in the presence of a fair congregation. The connective readings were supplied by the Rev. G. Waterhouse, of Diss. Mr. F. Havers played the piccolo, and Miss Hogg presided alternately at the piano and harmonium. The entertainment was organised and conducted by Messrs. E. Vine and C. Kerry, who have reason to be well satisfied with the result of their labours. A collection was taken in aid of the chapel expenses.

EYE: HARTISMERE PETTY SESSIONS.—Before Rev. T. French and Rev. S. B. Reynolds.—Geo. Chenery, labourer, Redgrave, was charged with using obscene language on the highway at Redgrave on the 8th inst. Defendant pleaded guilty, and was fined with costs 5s. 6d.—Samuel Bird, labourer, Wyverstone, was summoned for neglecting to comply with a maintenance order, his arrears amounting to £1 11s. An order was made for the amount to be paid in a month; in default 14 days.

EYE: DEATH OF A NONAGENARIAN.—By the death of Mrs. Mary Fellingham, which occurred last week, there passed away by far the oldest woman in the town of Eye. Born in 1802, "When George the Third was king," she was 18 years old when that monarch died, and had a vivid recollection of the three coronation festivities which occurred during her lifetime, viz., those of George the Fourth, 1820, William the Fourth, 1830, and Queen Victoria, 1837. The deceased was the widow of Mr. Henry Fellingham, an agricultural labourer, who also died at a great age two or three years ago, and who amused himself during his latter days by writing simple hymns. Both deceased and her late husband were very much respected.

EYE: TROTTING MATCH FOR £10 ASIDE.—A trotting match which, owing to the notoriety of the parties concerned, had evoked a considerable amount of interest, was decided on the Norwich Road, on Thursday week, between two bay cobs belonging to Mr. Robert Ship, horse dealer, Harleston, and Mr. Boyce, fishmonger, Diss. The stakes were £10 a side, and the distance four miles. Both animals being well-known for their staying powers, the race attracted a large concourse of spectators. The start was at Yaxley Bull, and the finish at the four cross ways on the Scole Road, Mr. Ship winning a fast and close race by about 150 yards. When near Brome Swan Mr. Boyce's cob unfortunately broke, and by complying with the rules of the road he was placed at a disadvantage. A good deal of money is said to have changed hands over the event. Mr. George Bullingham, of Hoxne, was starter and judge, and Mr. Howe, of Diss, referee.—[This paragraph was crowded out in our last issue.—*Ed.*]

FLOWTON: CONCERT.—A miscellaneous concert, which was well patronised, took place at the Grove Farm last Thursday. Messrs. Alfred and Herbert Burgess were the organisers of the entertainment, and great credit is due to them for so successfully carrying out the various details and rendering the concert such an enjoyable one. Programme:—Pianoforte duet, Misses Robinson and Hurd; *song, "No, Sir," Mrs. R. E. Turner; humorous song, Mr. Kerry; song, "A tale of woe," Miss Hurd; *song, "The shop walker," Mr. Herbert Burgess; duet, "What are the wild waves saying," Misses N. and K. Smith; comic song, Mr. Cook; reading, Rev. W. R. Hurd; *song, "I can't change it," Mr. Raynham; song, "The wishing cap," Miss Burgess; *song, "Jolly Jack," Mr. A. J. Burgess; song, "The miller and the maid," Mrs. R. E. Turner; duet, "Money matters," Miss Burgess and Mr. Tom Cox; comic song, Mr. Herbert Burgess; pianoforte solo, Miss K. Smith; song, "Uncle John," Miss Hurd; song, "Maud," Mr. A. J. Burgess; *song, "He knows the werry number of your door," Mr. Raynham; song, "Polly, the cows are in the corn," Miss K. Smith; *humorous song, Mr. Cook; *song, "The young lady who couldn't say yes," Miss Burgess; *song, "Medicine Jack," Mr. H. Burgess; song, Mrs. Turner; *song, "To the front," Mr. A. J. Burgess; song, "Peek a boo," Miss K. Smith; *comic song, Mr. Cook; *duet, "Very improper," Miss and Mr. H. Burgess; *song, "I'm one of the Jays," Mr. Raynham; comic song, Mr. Kerry; "God save the Queen." *Denotes encores. The rector (Rev. W. R. Hurd) presided, and the proceeds were in aid of the church renovation fund.

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GREAT BEALINGS: SINGULAR DEATH OF A FEMALE.—Mrs. Isabella Mitchell Prodger (42), the wife of George Prodger, a coachman, of Great Bealings, has died under somewhat peculiar circumstances. At the inquest on Monday, which was conducted by Mr. Walter Brooke, deputy coroner for the Liberty of St. Etheldreda, the husband of the deceased stated that his wife had always been somewhat delicate, and for the last 10 years had complained of pain in the chest and right side, but never had any medical advice. During the last fortnight deceased apparently strained herself in jumping up to "catch" the clothes line. On Friday morning witness went to Mr. Eaton's, chemist, Woodbridge, and, after explaining her symptoms, that gentleman gave witness some liniment to rub over the parts where deceased complained of pain, and a bottle of medicine. A small quantity of the liniment was used, and deceased took four doses of the medicine. Witness was just going up to bed on Saturday night, about 10.45, when deceased said she believed she was dying. She asked for some water, but she could not take it, and died directly.—Mr. E. J. Eaton, pharmaceutical chemist, Woodbridge, stated when deceased's husband came to him on Friday morning, Prodger said his wife was not bad enough to see a doctor. Witness gave him a stimulating liniment, composed of turpentine and olive oil, and a bottle of saline mixture, which he sold for colds. Witness told deceased's husband if his wife was not better in the morning he had better call in a doctor.—Verdict, "Death from natural causes."

HALESWORTH PETTY SESSIONS.—Joseph Todd and George Palmer, both of Cransford, were charged with having on the 13th December, at Peasenhall, stolen two pullets and one cockerel, the property of William Benjamin Barham, of Peasenhall, of the value of 4s. 6d. Defendants were committed to the Quarter Sessions for trial.

HALESWORTH: THE HORSE SHOW.—The financial statement presented to the annual meeting on Tuesday indicated that the receipts for the year amounted to £362 10s., and the expenditure to £297 8s. 2d., leaving a balance of £65 1s. 10d. In view of the Suffolk Agricultural Show being held next year at Saxmundham, it was decided to drop the exhibition in 1895.

HALESWORTH: A PONY'S WILD CAREER.—A wheel came off a trap in which Mr. Minter, of Huntingfield, was driving through Halesworth, on Tuesday. Mr. Minter alighted without injury, but a friend who was with him received a severe shaking. The pony dragged the cart the length of the Thoroughfare without injuring anybody.

HALESWORTH: VOLUNTEER DINNER AND DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.—A dinner in connection with the above took place in the Rifle Hall, on Friday evening, when a numerous company sat down to the repast provided by host and hostess Kent, of the Swan Inn, Halesworth, which gave every satisfaction. The usual toasts were duly proposed and acknowledged, the distribution of prizes to Volunteers who had won them during the past year was proceeded with, and the remainder of the proceedings were interspersed with songs. Sergt. Eades, the drill instructor to the corps, was presented with a silver medal for good conduct.

HALESWORTH COUNTY COURT.—At the Halesworth County Court on Wednesday, the hearing of the claim brought by Susannah Girling against Ellis John Roberts to recover £5 balance of a promissory note was concluded. Claudine Ellen Girling, daughter of the plaintiff, said she saw the defendant sign the note, her mother having lent him money to enable him to take a public-house. Defendant was requested by the Judge to sign his name on a piece of paper, and after comparing this signature with that on the promissory note, his Honour held there was sufficient similarity to satisfy him that the defendant did sign the note. Judgment was therefore given for the plaintiff.—William Howell, farmer, of Heveningham, sought to recover from N. R. Etheridge, farmer, of Wangford, £10 balance of account and the keep of two colts. Mr. W. C. Tuck, for the plaintiff, explained that the £8 was for moiety of account on terms alleged to have been agreed upon for the summer, and £2 for keep over time. Defendant produced a receipt for the first £8, on which it was stated that the balance remaining was £3. Plaintiff said that defendant wrote out the receipt, which he signed without having read it. Defendant declared that the agreement was that £11 should be paid, and his evidence was corroborated by George Bedingfield, who was present when the bargain was struck and the receipt signed. Judgment was given for £4 and costs, £1 being allowed for over time.

HARKSTEAD: SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.—On Wednesday evening a pleasant entertainment was given by the children of the Harkstead School. The first part consisted of selections from "The Holiday Concert" cantata, in character. The second part commenced with a nursery play, "Red Riding Hood," followed by songs, recitations, and dialogues, which were heartily applauded by the large audience. A sum of £2 4s. 9d. was taken at the door. The Rector (Rev. H. Berners), who presided, proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Smith, and cheers were given for all who had assisted in the entertainment.

HINTLESHAM: EPIDEMIC OF MEASLES.—Measles have spread over Hintlesham and Chattisham very rapidly, and in consequence the Sunday and day schools have been closed for three weeks. The cookery lectures on Wednesday evenings are also postponed.

HINTLESHAM: CHRISTMAS TREAT.—Last Tuesday the old people of Hintlesham were generously treated to a capital dinner off cold joints of beef and hot plum puddings by Mrs. Quilter, of Bawdsey Manor, and late of Hintlesham Hall. Mrs. Quilter, who brought all the good things with her, was accompanied by Miss Norah Quilter. Before returning to Bawdsey, Mrs. Quilter kindly presented all with some seasonable garment, and also distributed packets of tea amongst them. About 30 invitations had been accepted, and the rest had dinner and presents sent home. It is needless to say that this kindness of Mrs. Quilter was greatly appreciated by the recipients.

INTERMENTS IN IPSWICH CEMETERY.—Friday: Ann Gilbert, 77 years, St. Margaret's. Saturday: Eliza Theobald, 52 years, Holy Trinity; John Wylie, 80 years, St. Matthew's; May Last, 2 years, Walton; Ann Pearson, 70 years, St. Michael's; William Hammond, 44 years, Holy Trinity. Monday: Harriett Durrant, 74 years, St. Matthew's; William Smith, 70 years, Holy Trinity; George Strand, 80 years, St. Margaret's; Wm. H. D. Jennings, 67 years, St. Nicholas. Tuesday: Kate E. Baldwin, 6 years, St. Matthew's. Wednesday: Alfred Blyth, 73 years, St. Clement; Donald P. Noy, infant, St. Matthew's; Robert M. J. Tricker, infant, St. Nicholas; John W. Whymark, infant, Holy Trinity. Thursday: Marianne Pridden, 78 years, St. Matthew; James Woods, 77 years, St. Matthew.

IPSWICH: PRESENTATION.—Mr. Allan T. Everard, on completing his apprenticeship at St. Peter's Boys' School, has been presented by the Vicar, the staff, and scholars with a well-bound set of poetical works, to mark the esteem in which he is held.

IPSWICH: SAILOR'S TERRIBLE FALL.—William Sterling, a young sailor, belonging to Ipswich, was climbing the mast of a barge, in the Regent's Canal basin, Limehouse, the other day, when he lost his hold and fell on the deck. He was conveyed to a London Hospital, where he lies in a critical condition.

IPSWICH: LAUNCH.—On Thursday a fine new spritsail barge of about 120 tons burthen, built to the order of Messrs. R. and W. Paul, Limited, was launched from the St. Clement's building yard of Messrs. Orvis and Fuller. As the vessel left the ways she was named the "Ida" by Miss May Orvis, daughter of the builder.

IPSWICH: PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.—On Monday night an entertainment was given in the Infants' Schoolroom, Woodhouse Street, and £4 realised towards the purchase of a library and museum for St. Clement's and St. Helen's Church Day Schools. The programme was almost entirely provided by scholars. On Tuesday the prizes awarded to the scholars who had attended most regularly were distributed by the Rev. E. Oakley, rector of St. Helen's.

IPSWICH: THE FINE ART CLUB: AN EXPERIMENT.—At the meeting of the Ipswich Fine Art Club, on Monday, it was decided to try as an experiment an important alteration in connection with the charges for admission at the next annual exhibition, which will open at the latter end of January. Instead of charging 1s. in the day, and the nominal charge of 3d. in the evening, the entrance charge will be 6d. day and evening. It was also decided to hold in the autumn an art needlework and an arts and crafts exhibition.

IPSWICH: SAILORS AT TEA.—Over 300 sailors and their wives assembled, under the auspices of the local branch of the Missions to Seamen, at the Co-operative Hall, on Thursday evening, to partake of a tea. Afterwards a concert was given by various ladies and gentlemen, and the appreciation of their efforts was instanced by the numerous encores. The performers included Miss Woods, Mrs. Leighton, Miss Wrinch, Mr. Green, Mr. A. E. Sidgwick, Mr. Nunns, Mr. Woods, and Mr. H. H. Walford. The Rev. J. Powell presided.

IPSWICH: A SEPTUGENARIAN'S FATAL FALL.—A sad end awaited James Woods (78), a tailor, of 15, Castle Street, Ipswich. Late on Saturday night the old man (who lived with his invalid wife) had occasion to go downstairs. When three steps from the ground he fell forward, dislocating one of the vertebræ and causing instant death. The Borough Coroner held an inquiry on Monday evening in St. Matthew's Schools, when a verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

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IPSWICH: SHOP-DOOR THIEVES SENT TO PRISON.—Wm. Phillips, labourer, Orwell Place, and Harry Burgess, labourer, Upper Orwell Courts, were charged, at the Borough Court, on Monday, with stealing a dead rabbit, value 1s. 2d. from the outside of the shop of Mary Ann Eade. Phillips jumped up as he was passing the shop on Wednesday evening, and knocked down two rabbits, one of which he put under his arm, and Burgess picked up the other.—Two lads corroborated.—Short terms of imprisonment had had no effect upon the prisoners, and the Bench now sentenced them to a month's hard labour.

IPSWICH: SUDDEN DEATH OF AN INFANT.—The Ipswich Borough Coroner on Monday inquired into the death of Jno. Wm. Whymark, aged 14 months, son of a labourer, living at 27, Holy Wells Road. The child died suddenly on Saturday, without medical aid being called in. Two days previously it had had a fit, but had apparently recovered. Mr. W. J. Staddon, surgeon, who a *post-mortem* examination, testified that death was due to pneumonia. With proper medical treatment life might have been prolonged; possibly the child might have recovered.—A verdict in accordance with the medical testimony was returned, the Foreman adding that it was considered the parents acted in ignorance.

IPSWICH: CARRIER'S CAR OVERTURNED.—Just as the shades of evening were approaching on Monday, a singular mishap befel Mr. Keyne, the Sudbury carrier, while passing along St. Matthew's. He had a considerable number of passengers in the van, and when opposite Messrs. Phillip's establishment the wheel of the vehicle was dragged off when getting out of the tram line. The car listed over very considerably and some of the passengers were thrown out, though happily none were seriously injured. The tramway traffic was blocked for some little time, and owing to the large crowd which assembled vehicles wended their way along the road with much difficulty.

IPSWICH: WELL-DESERVED PUNISHMENT.—At the Ipswich Police Court on Thursday three charges of indecency were preferred against Arthur Southgate, a whitesmith, of 51, Samuel Road. Mr. Thompson Smith, of Colchester, appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. R. M. Bingley, instructed by Mr. H. K. Frost, of Ipswich, was for the defence. The first case had reference to alleged indecency in Tower Church Lane, and in regard to this the defendant endeavoured to prove an *alibi*. The next charge was preferred by the Head Mistress of the High School, and the third by Ellen Kerry, a domestic servant, for alleged misconduct on the Westerfield Road. He was convicted in all three cases, and was sentenced to two months' hard labour for each, sentences to run consecutively.

IPSWICH: MASONIC INSTALLATION.—The anniversary meeting of the "Perfect Friendship" Lodge, No. 376, was held at the Masonic Hall, on Wednesday evening, when Bro. Alfred Spalding was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. The ceremony was ably performed by Bro. Geo. Turner, assisted by P.M. J. M. Franks. The officers for the year were invested as under:—I.P.M., W. Bro. Geo. Turner, P.G. Std; S.W., Bro. H. G. Tanner; J.W., Bro. Buckingham Bird; Chap., Bro. Rev. L. D. Kenyon-Stow, P.P.G. Chap.; Treas. W. Bro. S. R. Anness, P.S.G.W.; S.D., Bro. G. L. Oxborrow; J.D., Bro. W. H. Brown; D. of C., W. Bro. S. R. Anness, P.S.G.W.; Org., Bro. F. W. Long; I.G., Bro. G. R. Chilver; S. Steward, Bro. F. W. Long; J. Steward, Bro. E. Beard; Assistant Stewards, Bros. T. W. Norman and W. H. Marsh; Tyler, Bro. G. Gould.

IPSWICH: A CARTER COMMITTED TO THE QUARTER SESSIONS.—On Monday, at the Borough Court, Geo. Hazell, alias James Starbins, alias Thomas Hayes, horseman, of Ranelagh Road, was charged with obtaining 3s. by false pretences, of Thomas Manning, timekeeper to Messrs. Girling and Coe.—Mr. Wm. Marshall, for the prosecution, said Manning was in his office on Thursday morning week, and defendant went to him and represented that he was carter for Mr. Thomas Rudland, Crane Hill Farm. He asked Manning to lend him 3s., and, after consulting Mr. Girling, he did so.—Police-Sergt. Nears said when he arrested defendant and read the warrant to him he said he borrowed the money.—Defendant, in answer to the charge, said "I didn't know what I was doing; I had nothing to do, and I was nearly mad."—He was committed for trial at the next Quarter Sessions.—Defendant was similarly charged with respect to 2s. obtained of Mr. Robert James Cole, carter, of Grey Friars' Road.—Defendant was committed for trial on this charge also. Bail was allowed.

METFIELD: SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.—A very varied programme was well rendered on Thursday evening last to a full audience. Mrs. Clifton kindly acted as accompanist. Mr. Gunston gained several well-deserved encores, and the Weybread glee party received a hearty reception. The humorous element was well sustained by Mr. Campling in his recitation, and Mr. W. C. Pleasants in his rendering of several songs. Mr. W. Poppy presided. The following contributed to the programme:—Miss E. D. and William Pleasants, Miss Nowell, Mr. Clifton, Mr. Ablett, Mr. Campling, Mr. Gunston, Mr. Algar, Master C. Clifton, Mr. A. Bayles, Messrs. Clifford and Brett, Mr. W. C. Pleasants, Mr. Bussey, Mr. Gooch, Miss Della Pleasants, Master W. Pleasants, and Weybread party.

NACTON READING ROOM AND CLUB.—The members of this Club assembled on Thursday evening to listen to a most interesting and instructive lecture by Capt. Pretyman, at the Club room. The title was—"The Geological Formation of Suffolk, with special reference to surface water and water supply," and the subject was dealt with in a pleasing and very able manner. The details of the sinking of the well for the water supply of Felixstowe and district were exhaustively referred to, and the lecturer illustrated his remarks with carefully prepared sketches, and blackboard drawings. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Capt. Pretyman at the close of the meeting. The Hon. Mrs. Pretyman honoured the Club by her presence during the lecture.

NACTON AND LEVINGTON SCHOOL: PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.—The Christmas concert in aid of the fund for providing prizes for the children attending the Nacton and Levington C.E. School took place in the Seven Hills schoolroom on Tuesday evening. The Hon. Mrs. Wood, of Broke Hall, presented the prizes, while Capt. E. G. Pretyman, the Rev. A. H. Watson, and Mr. J. Wood presided. Amongst those present were:—Rev. R. A. Bosanquet, Mrs. Posford, of Falkenham Hall, Miss Smith, Levington Hall, Miss Everitt, and the Misses Watkins. To the last named ladies the managers were placed under a deep obligation, inasmuch as they took the entire management and responsibility of providing the first half of the evening's entertainment. "Varied and delightful" was the verdict the audience returned when their portion of the bill of fare had been brought before their notice. The performers included:—Miss Ada Scrivener, whose powers, vocal and elocutionary, pleased much; Mrs. Chandler, Miss Kate Everett, the Rev. A. Watson, Messrs. Wainwright and Keeble, while Miss Watkins secured an encore for her banjo song, "Old Folks at Home." Capt. Pretyman, before distributing the children's prizes, commented on the exceedingly good attendance, and on behalf of the managers thanked all who had contributed to the evening's enjoyment. During the second part of the programme Mr. S. Gosling ably accompanied, Messrs. Will May, Coborne, and Manning contributing humorous songs. Amongst the prizewinners were:—W. Ash, Ethel Pipe, Agnes Savage, Annie Ransby, R. Savage, Daisy Cowie, Jenny Reeder, Lucy Button, Annie Wesley, John Hume, Wm. Farthing, Lily Lewington, Beatrice Gillingham, Agnes Mellor, Ida Garrod, Mabel King, Elsie Lewington, Gertrude Buss, Howard Seymour, Walt. Sawyer, Jno. Robinson, Jessie Orriss, Martha Branch, Gertrude Fryett, and Nellie Butler. East Suffolk Sewing Prizes: Jenny Reeder, Winifred Wiseman, Daisy Smith, Annie Wesley, and Dora Meen.

NEEDHAM MARKET: CRUELTY AND THEFT.—George Buckle, a labourer, of Creeting, was charged at the Needham Market Petty Sessions on Wednesday with ill-treating a mare belonging to Messrs. Simpson and Woollard, at the Bank Farm, Needham Market; and also with stealing a stable lantern. For the first offence he was fined £1 and 19s. costs, and for the second 10s.

NEEDHAM MARKET CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION.—A successful smoking concert in connection with the above was held at the Swan Hotel, Needham Market, on Wednesday evening, Mr. Charles Cooper, J.P., occupying the chair. There was a large number present, and during the evening Mr. Albert Ranson, of Ipswich, gave a very lengthy and interesting report of the doings of the National Union Conference, held at Newcastle recently, at which Mr. Ranson was present. The report was greatly appreciated by the company. Some good songs were rendered by Messrs. Daniel Kerridge, D. Kerridge, jun., T. Bloomfield, Shuker, &c., Mr. J. F. W. Daniels, of Ipswich, accompanying on the piano. A hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded a very pleasant entertainment.

PLOMESGATE UNION FREE FROM INFECTIOUS DISEASE.—At a meeting of the Plomesgate Board of Guardians, on Monday, Mr. Geo. Walker presiding, it was reported that 95 inmates were in the house and 704 on out-relief. There was a decrease in the amount of relief of £4 11s. 10d.; 44 tramps had been admitted during the week. The Medical Officer reported that the Union was then free from infectious disease.

REDENHALL: COMMERCIAL SCHOOL.—The results of the recent Higher Grade examination in religious knowledge have just been published, and the following pupils of this school have been successful. Only one candidate in the Lower Division in the whole Diocese succeeded in obtaining a first class certificate, viz., Egbert Borrett, of Pulham Market, a pupil of the above school. Upper Division, second class, M. J. Newson, Westleton; third class, W E Barber, Great Yarmouth. Middle Division, third class, A. Thurston, Fressingfield. Lower Division, first class, E. Borrett, Pulham; second class, R. Cordwell, Harleston; A. A. Vincent, Harleston; third class, T. A. Blackbury, Lowestoft; S. Bunn, Harleston; S. Cordwell, Harleston; C. C. Hall, Redenhall; E. Johnson, Denton; F. Rout, Norwich; H. Goodwin, Mendham.

SOUTHWOLD: DEATH OF MRS. H. DEAKIN.—The sad intelligence was received on Monday morning of the death of Mrs. Harold Deakin, only daughter of Major W. H. Elmy. Only so late as the Thursday before her decease she entertained friends at her residence, and was able to sing, but she was taken ill during the night and never left her room again. The greatest sympathy is felt for her bereaved relatives, and at Southwold she will be much missed, not only by residents, but by visitors, who will remember her singing at the organ recitals at the church during the season. The interment took place at Southwold yesterday.

IMPORTANT TO LADIES.—Madame Worth's celebrated Guinea Corsets (black 25s.) may be obtained from her Local Agents, Messrs. Fish and Son, Suffolk House, Ipswich.

STOWMARKET PETTY SESSIONS, Monday.—Fred Hammond, labourer, Stowmarket, and Jeremiah Allard, fitter, Combs, were charged with trespassing in search of conies on land in the occupation of Mr. Samuel Southgate, Badley Mill, and also on land in the occupation of Mr. Henry Cuthbert at Creeting St. Peter. Police-constable Saltar and Police-constable Ma[illegible] detected defendants. Hammond was fined 2s. 6d. and costs in each case (£1 3s. 6d. in all); Allard was fined 1s. and costs in each case (21s. in all). The money was paid.—Samuel Cobbold, fowl dealer, Stowupland, was ordered to have his child vaccinated within one month, and to pay the costs of the order, 8s. 6d.

STOWMARKET: BRITISH SCHOOL AND CYCLING CLUB CONCERTS.—On Monday evening the children of the British Schools gave their annual concert at the Institute, at which the distribution of prizes also took place. The piece chosen was entitled, "Mr. Nobody." Mr. S. Parker acted as conductor, and the various parts were all well taken by the children. During the interval, Mr. Parker stated that during the school year ending 31st May last the schools had been opened 425 times, but from various causes there was only one boy who attended every time. Mr. G. J. Gostling, in the absence of the Rev. L. W. Caws, presented the prizes.—As a re-union during the winter season the members and friends of the Cycling Club met at a smoking concert at the new club room of the King's Head Hotel. Mr. S. A. Turner occupied the chair, and there was a large attendance. During the evening songs were sung by Messrs. Double, H. Crowfoot, Tripp, Barnard, J. Lillistone, and G. Brown. Recitations were given by Mr. Howard and Mr. A. Sillitoe. A very convivial evening was spent. Mr. S. Baker accompanied.

STRADBROKE SCHOOL.—The Rev. Canon Tate presided over the annual meeting of inhabitants interested in the Church of England, held in the Schoolroom on Friday. The accounts were presented and passed. Mr. G. H. Frampton and his teaching staff had obtained an "excellent" report from H.M.I.S. The Rev. G. Cobb, Mr. R. Butcher, and Mr. W. Girling were re-elected co-managers with Mr. H. Clarke, in place of Mr. W. Rutter, who had retired. It was decided that the voluntary rate for the coming year be 3d. in the £.

STRADBROKE: HELP FOR THE AGED.—A meeting was held at the Queen's Head Inn, Stradbroke, on Saturday, the Rev. Canon Tate presiding, "to discuss what steps shall be taken for raising a fund to supply the aged and infirm poor of the parish with coals during the winter." There is a small balance in hand from last year, and the meeting decided to solicit contributions to raise a sum sufficient to carry out this most warm-hearted charity, as far as possible, as in previous years.

SUFFOLK ASSIZES.—The next Court of Assizes for the county of Suffolk will be held at Ipswich, January 17th being Commission day.

THETFORD: APPOINTMENT OF AN ASSISTANT OVERSEER.—On Thursday a vestry meeting was held at St. Mary's for the purpose of electing an assistant overseer, in place of Mr. W. Cocker, who tendered his resignation, which was accepted. For the vacancy there were proposed Mr. Thomas Bradshaw, jun., and Mr. Wm. Hall. Mr. Bradshaw obtained 12 votes and Mr. Hall 14 votes. A poll was demanded.

WESTHORPE BOARD SCHOOL.—The annual report of H.M. Inspector on this school stated that "Notwithstanding the serious interruption caused by the closing of the School for nearly three months, the elementary work continues to be of a praiseworthy character throughout, and considerable care has evidently been devoted to improving the recitation. The infants did their elementary work well. Needlework is commendable, and discipline very good." Average attendance on which the grant is payable, 39; amount of grant earned, £56 2s. Drawing has also been taught by the mistress of the school. The report received is "Excellent."

WICKHAM SKEITH: SCHOOL BOARD APPOINTMENT.—The Wickham Skeith School Board has appointed Miss Thistlewhaite, of Wakefield, head mistress at their school.

WOODBRIDGE: ILLUSTRATED LECTURE.—On Wednesday evening a lecture, entitled, "A Trip to Palestine," was given in the Friends' Meeting House, in connection with the Friends' Temperance Society, by Mr. Brightwen Binyon, of Ipswich. The lecture, which was illustrated by beautiful photographic slides, was well attended.

WOODBRIDGE: SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—On Friday evening, as Mrs. Grimwood, aged 71, wife of Mr. W. Grimwood, brushmaker, of Woodbridge, was stepping off the pavement, she missed her footing and fell, injuring her leg. She was carried home; Dr Edwardes-Ker was sent for, and found she had sustained a fracture of the thigh.

WOODBRIDGE VOLUNTEERS' CHRISTMAS SHOOTING CONTEST.—On Saturday the Christmas shooting for prizes by the E Company (Woodbridge) 1st Suffolk Regiment took place. The firing was under the new third-class regulation practice, viz., 21 rounds per man at 200 yards—seven kneeling, seven standing, and seven prone, bull's-eye counting four. Fifty-three men competed. Principal scores:—Prvt. W. G. Whisstock 69, Capt. L. W. Hayward 64, Sergt. G. Ling 62, Prvt. G. Pulford 61, Prvt. E. Branford 60, Prvt. G. Scott 60, Prvt. F. Whisstock 58, Prvt. F. W. Hopson 55, Prvt. J. Platten 55, Corpl. Dickerson 54, Sergt.-Instructor C. Smith 54, Corpl. W. Booth 52, Colr.-Sergt. W. M. Brabam 52, Prvt. Legg 50, Prvt. E. Manning 50, Prvt. W. Richardson 46, Prvt. H. Collins 45.

WOODBRIDGE GOLF CLUB.—The final for the President's Challenge Cup, *i.e.*, the six best net scores made in monthly competitions during 1894, plus the net score in the final, took place on Monday, with the following results:—Mr. F. J. W. Wood 592, Capt. Pole-Soppitt 615, Mr. A. Morley 628, Major King 630, Mr. J. B. Pettit 638, Mr. C. Morley 668, Major Larkon 673, Mr. T. Carthew 694. Mr. F. J. W. Wood therefore holds the cup for the coming year. The final for Mr. Alfred Hayward's prize for ladies, *i.e.*, the six best net scores made in monthly competitions during 1894, plus the net score in the final took place on Thursday, with the following result:—Miss J. Hewetson 381, Miss E. M. S. Soppitt 392, Mrs. Hicks 513.

WOODBRIDGE WINTER EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS.—On Monday evening another of the series of winter entertainments provided by Miss Jones was held in the Infants' Schoolroom, Woodbridge. There was a large attendance, presided over by the rector (the Rev. W. W. Jones). A pianoforte duet was given by Miss Carthew and Miss Hewetson, songs by Mrs. Hicks, Miss A. Welton, Miss Jones, Capt. H. J. Edwards, and Capt. H. A. Pole-Soppit, a comic duet by Messrs. G. Pulford and H. Catting. Messrs. Pulford and C. H. and E. Cutting also did some touches on handbells.

WOODBRIDGE TOWN BAND.—The annual supper of this band was held in the Jubilee Hall, the chair being taken by the president (Capt. E. G. Pretyman), who was faced by Mr. R. Smith, sen., in the vice. In giving "The Town and Trade of Woodbridge," the Chairman remarked that he thought the town bore up uncommonly well under the present agricultural depression. Messrs. T. Grimwood and John Garnham suitably replied to the toast. Mr. Carthew, C.C., proposed "The Town Band," and coupled with it the names of Bandmaster Lanham, Secretary A. W. Smith, and Treasurer W. J. Naunton, all of whom responded, the Secretary stating that the band was in a very prosperous condition. "The health of the President" was enthusiastically received with musical honours. The harmony of the evening was well sustained by members of the band, and Messrs. T. C. Cleveland, E. Cousins, and others.

WOODBRIDGE: PETTY SESSIONS.—At Woodbridge Petty Sessions Richard Overitt, a butcher, Woodbridge, was charged with deserting his family. Mr. George E. Walker, clerk to the Guardians, said the defendant and his family were admitted into Nacton Workhouse in November, and the defendant discharged himself and children early in December. A few days afterwards the children had to be sent to the Workhouse again. Defendant pleaded hard for another chance, and promised to help in maintaining his children. The Magistrates discharged him on his own recognizances to come up for sentence when called upon.—John Plant, labourer, pleaded guilty to breaking a street gas lamp at Walton, and was fined 6s., 19s. 5d. costs, and 2s. damage, which his father paid.—Thomas Woolnough, a labourer, was charged with assaulting John Hewitt, innkeeper, at Blaxhall. Defendant, while in the taproom about 8.30 p.m., took off his coat and struck a man named Scase. Complainant ordered defendant out of the house, but he refused and struck complainant in the face, cutting his lip. Defendant denied striking complainant; he affirmed that he only "shoved him." The Bench fined defendant £1, and £1 7s. costs (which were made heavy by his failing to appear in answer to a summons), or three weeks' hard labour. Defendant: I have no money.

WOODBRIDGE: BOARD OF GUARDIANS.—At the weekly meeting on Thursday, under the presidency of Mr. W. P. T. Phillips, the Master of the Workhouse (Mr. J. Fincham) reported 99 inmates last week, 101 this week, and 97 in the corresponding period last year. The out-relief was considerably below the same period in last year, the figures being 679 persons, at an expenditure of £57 18s., as against 733 and £63 7s. 11½d. respectively. Mr. J. B. Hart, J.P., offered to send his usual present of ale and wine to the inmates of the Workhouse, and the offer was accepted with thanks. Mr. W. P. T. Phillips said he should be glad to take the present opportunity of acknowledging the many kind congratulations he had received from members of the Board and others on his election as a Rural District Councillor for Melton. Contracts for the ensuing quarter:—Flour, Carlford District, Mr. Buttrum, Burgh, 10½d. stone; Colneis District, Mr. Turner, Witnesham, 11d. stone; Wilford District, Mr. A. W. Read, Woodbridge, 1s. stone; bread, 6s. 8d. per cwt., Mr. Wm. Kerridge, Ipswich; grocery, wines, and spirits, Mr. John Andrews, Woodbridge; ale and porter, Mr. E. Smith, Melton; maize meal, straw, &c., Mr. H. Hancox, Nacton; meat, Mr. Geo. Dunnett, Norwich Road, Ipswich.

YOXFORD: RUMMAGE SALE.—The sum of £12 4s. was realised by a rummage sale, held in the Wesleyan School, Yoxford, on Monday, in aid of the reading-room. The ladies and gentlemen assisting were:—Lady Blois, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Miss Gorham, Miss Cottingham, Misses Girling (2), Miss Lomax, Capt. and Mrs. W. Wilmer, Miss Freshfield, Miss Blois, Miss Cumming, and Miss Youngs.

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Public Notices.

NOTICE.

Foreshore and Bed of Bawdsey Haven at Felixstow Ferry.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application has been received by the Board of Trade (to whom by "The Crown Lands Act, 1866," the management of the rights and interests of the Crown in the foreshores of the United Kingdom has been transferred) from the Felixstowe Golf Club, for permission to construct protective works against encroachments by the Sea on the West side of Bawdsey Haven close to the Coast Guard Station, and also near the Old Battery, near Eastend Farm.

All Persons interested are to take notice that, 21 days after this date, the Board of Trade will proceed to consider the application, and in the meantime they will receive any objections which may be made thereto.

(Signed) C. CECIL TREVOR,
Assistant Secretary.

Board of Trade,
Harbour Department,
15th day of December, 1894.

THE GREAT YARMOUTH
PORT AND HAVEN ACT 1866,
AND
THE GREAT YARMOUTH
PORT AND HAVEN ORDERS 1874 and 1891.

BY virtue and in exercise of "The Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Act 1866" and "The Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Orders 1874 and 1891" and "The Harbours Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847" incorporated with the said Act and Orders all and every of them WE THE GREAT YARMOUTH PORT AND HAVEN COMMISSIONERS DO HEREBY order and direct as follows—

1. So much of the Bye-laws made by the Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Commissioners and allowed by the Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's then Court of Common Pleas at Westminster on the 24th day of September, 1867, as relates to the speed of vessels propelled by steam navigating the Haven of Great Yarmouth within the limits therein described shall after this present Bye-law takes effect be and the same is hereby repealed.

2. That the limits within which the following Bye-law shall have force and operation shall comprise and include the limits of the Haven of Great Yarmouth as defined by "The Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Act 1866" except that part of such limits as is at or near the entrance of the said Haven and called or known as "the Brush."

3. That in the following Bye-law the words and expressions hereinafter used shall respectively have the several meanings hereby assigned to them unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction.

The expression "The Haven of Great Yarmouth" shall mean the Haven of Great Yarmouth as defined by "The Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Act 1866" except that part thereof which is at or near the entrance thereof and called or known as "the Brush."

The word "vessel" shall include ship, boat, lighter, and craft of every kind, and whether navigated by steam or otherwise.

The word "master" when used in relation to any vessel, shall be understood to mean the person having the command or charge of the vessel for the time being.

The word "steam-vessel" shall mean any vessel whatsoever propelled by steam or other mechanical power.

4. Every steam-vessel navigating the Haven of Great Yarmouth shall be navigated with care and caution and at a speed and in a manner which shall not endanger the safety of other vessels or moorings or cause damage thereto or to the quays wharves banks or shores of the said Haven.

If the safety of any vessel or moorings be endangered or damage be caused thereto or to the quays wharves banks or shores of the said Haven by a passing steam-vessel the onus shall lie upon the master of such steam-vessel to show that she was navigated with care and caution at such speed and in such manner as directed by this rule and Bye-law.

The master of the vessel committing any breach of or in any way infringing this Bye-law shall be liable to a penalty of and shall forfeit a sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Given under the Common Seal of The Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Commissioners this Thirteenth day of December One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-four.

J. TOLVER WATERS,
Clerk of the Commissioners. (L.S.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that immediately after the expiration of one calendar month from the day of the publication hereof, an application is intended to be made to a Judge of Her Majesty's High Court of Justice at the Royal Courts of Justice, London, for a confirmation of the above Bye-law.

In the meantime and until such application a copy of such Bye-law will be kept at the principal office of the Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Commissioners, situate at the Town Hall, in Great Yarmouth, in the county of Norfolk, where all persons may inspect such copy without fee or reward, and any person desiring to object to such Bye-law on giving to the said Commissioners notice of the nature of his objection ten days before the hearing of the application for the allowance and confirmation of such Bye-law may by himself, his counsel, solicitor, or agent be heard thereon.

J. TOLVER WATERS,
Clerk of the Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Commissioners.

Great Yarmouth,
22nd December, 1894.

BOROUGH OF IPSWICH.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

THAT the next General QUARTER SESSIONS of the Peace for the Borough of Ipswich, will be held at the TOWN HALL, in Ipswich aforesaid, on THURSDAY, the THIRD day of JANUARY, 1895, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon precisely, when and where all persons bound by Recognizance or otherwise interested, are required to attend.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1894.

WILL: BANTOFT,
Clerk of the Peace.

TO THE ELECTORS
OF
EAST BERGHOLT.

HAVING returned us as your representatives on the Parish Council, we respectfully ask you to accept our sincere thanks for the honour you have conferred upon us.

It shall be our constant endeavour to do our duty by the electors, and we trust we may, during our term of office, do nothing to forfeit the confidence you have reposed in us.

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Your faithful servants,
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TO THE ELECTORS
OF
CLAYDON.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

WE beg to return our sincere thanks to the Electors who voted for us at the Election of Parish Councillors on Monday last.

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The Ipswich Journal

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22.

THE TYRANNY OF ONE HOUSE. There is one consideration with regard to this question of the House of Lords which seems to have been entirely neglected by the Radical party, viz., whether the country at large desires to see the House of Commons enthroned as absolute sovereign, without the smallest check upon its will. The United Kingdom is made up of a vast multiplicity of interests, which are not likely to admire any such arrangement. Lord SALISBURY has pointed this out, with his usual incisiveness, in an article upon "Lord ROSEBERY'S Plan," in this month's *National Review*. "It is difficult," he says, "to see where the force is to come from which will compel the varied interests of this country to expose themselves to this peril. The longer the struggle lasts the more carefully men will study the ways of the House of Commons, the sovereign to whose tender mercies they are to be consigned. They well realise that, there, party government is rapidly coming to mean government by an iron party machine, blindly fulfilling the bargains which its conductors have made in order to procure the votes of practical or self-interested groups. The more familiar they become with its procedure and its springs of action at the present time, the less disposed will they be to surrender to its uncontrolled discretion either the rights of classes who are in a minority or the unity of the Empire." In this connection it is well to remember that OLIVER CROMWELL himself was converted by the logic of stern facts to the necessity of a Second Chamber. The Rump Parliament beheaded the King and abolished the House of Lords, and was in its turn driven out by the Protector and his armed soldiery. The Commonwealth was then placed under CROMWELL and a single Chamber. Meanwhile this very rupture between the Protector and Parliament had produced a deep distrust in the minds of the officers of omnipotent Parliament. They had learned, as they said in one of their declarations in 1647, "that Parliament privileges, as well as Royal prerogatives, may be perverted and abused, to the destruction of those greater ends for whose protection and preservation they were intended, viz., the rights and liberties of the people." A House of Commons of unlimited powers, always in session, not content with its proper business of legislating, but taking upon itself, by its Committees, to supersede the ordinary courts of law, uniting in itself the legislative, judicial, and executive powers, seemed to CROMWELL and his officers "the horridest arbitrariness that ever was exercised in the world." The result was that the Protector was obliged to re-constitute a Second Chamber, to provide a check or balancing-power to his own House of Commons, and to guarantee to all Englishmen those indefeasible rights and liberties which had been jeopardised by the existence of a single Chamber. This is an object-lesson in history which is worth remembering at the present juncture.

LORD ROSEBERY'S DECLINE. The feature of the autumn recess has undoubtedly been the decline and fall of Lord ROSEBERY'S reputation. Coming after so marvellous a Parliamentarian as Mr. GLADSTONE, it was to be expected that, by contrast, the new Premier would be heavily handicapped. Nevertheless he was at once acclaimed as a perfect leader of the piebald party, and started his course in absolutely a frenzy of admiration and excitement on the part of the Liberal party. Only Mr. LABOUCHERE dissented, and his dissent was overborne and scouted in a manner which he has neither forgiven nor forgotten. Little by little the gilt has worn off the gingerbread leader of the Ministry, but the impression has gradually deepened that, after all, the great opportunist wirepuller is only an amateur statesman, utterly out of all touch with his own party, and with the frank, out-spoken masses of the people of Great Britain. Lord ROSEBERY is now recognised by every shade of politicians as a mere wobbler. He is always explaining, and never getting nearer to the explanation. When he tried to explain away that celebrated remark about the "predominant partner," he only left the impression that he did not know whether he was in favour of Home Rule or not. His explanation about Disestablishment was equally vague, and left his audience under the idea that he really knew and cared very little about churches. Ever since the Premier embarked upon his campaign against the House of Lords his utterances have been a series of wobbles highly embarrassing to his own party. In Scotland he left everyone under the impression that he was determined to reform the House of Lords, and the "menders" of that Institution rejoiced exceedingly. Then the "enders" seem to have frightened Lord ROSEBERY with Mr. ASQUITH'S speech at Birmingham, and at Devonport any attempt to alter the Constitution of the Upper House is out of the question. At one moment he says that it is impossible to touch the House of Lords without their consent, and almost in the same breath asks for a mandate from the House of Commons, and then from the country, to carry out the impossible. No wonder he puzzles and perturbs his own party by the account he gives of his own policy. He never remains of the same mind for a week together, and as he is practically the sole exponent of this unknown policy, the matter is fast assuming the ridiculous. The results of Lord ROSEBERY'S leadership are best seen in the attitude of his own party. Sir W. HARCOURT refuses to appear upon a public platform from August to January. He is announced to address his constituents a few days before Parliament meets, and it is quite possible his speech may be of unexpected importance. The Cabinet is known to be at sixes and sevens over the brand new "revolution," and Mr. LABOUCHERE, as usual, is stirring up the embers of discord in the rank and file of the party. Mr. T. P. O'CONNOR, M.P., last Sunday, in his own paper, openly said of Lord ROSEBERY: —"There is active and incessant campaigning against him in his own party. . . . The game has been to hint that he is insincere in all his professions of Radical views, and that therefore every word he says is to be sifted for the purpose of discovering the least bit of dishonesty—the hidden subterfuge and the contingent escape." Such is the frank admission of one who is in "the Radical swim," and it is a charming illustration of the way the great Liberal party is treating its own chosen leader. His failure must indeed be great when he has not been able to hold a party together for nine months.

LORD ROSEBERY'S JOKES. There is no more interesting psychological study than that of Lord ROSEBERY as a joker. There is such an earnestness about him when he perpetrates a joke that even those who know him best are apt to misinterpret him. Fortunately his Premiership is a sinecure office, so that time and opportunity are always afforded him to explain the joke. Indeed, it seems as if his meetings had been purposely arranged in duplicate, one close upon the other, the first to enable him to let the joke off, and the second to explain it. When it is explained there is no doubt that the laughter is loud and general, and there is this great advantage in the method he adopts: the keenest excitement is created, all kinds of solutions are adopted, and the interest, instead of being a passing one, is kept up for some day or two, till the solution is given. The jokes are generally followed, it is true, by disaster, but therein lies their intensity and depth. Of such a keen and grim joker a record of the most noteworthy ebullitions of humour will always prove entertaining. His first great joke was about "the conversion of the predominant partner before Home Rule could be granted." The full explanation of this joke was not made generally public; all that was repeated of it was that Lord ROSEBERY did not mean what he said. But its full details must have been vastly amusing, for the Irish, who had risen in arms against him, were evidently greatly tickled with it into ominous threats; and that it was generally considered satisfactory is evidenced by the loss of two Gladstonian seats. The next joke of importance was that, in effect, every manse of the Established Church in Scotland was the home of a Tory organiser. This joke was very fully explained some short time afterwards, and the result was the loss of Forfarshire. A third joke was his statement "that he was a two-Chamber man," and "that to abolish the veto was to all intents and purposes to do away with a second Chamber." The explanation that he meant to abolish the veto and reduce practically the Parliamentary Chambers to one came after the loss of Brigg, but by this time a glimmering of the nature of his jokes had dawned upon the minds of the electors, so that to some extent its explanation had been seen beforehand. His fourth great joke, namely, that the majority of the educated class were against him, is not altogether new. It had been perpetrated by his great leader, Mr. GLADSTONE. The effect of this joke has still to be seen; as is also the grimmest of all, in which he has laid out his plans from this into the far future, although at Glasgow he held that no more than one or two first-class measures could be passed in any one session, and although he and the most intelligent of his colleagues foresee a very early dissolution to their tenure of office.

"H.M.S. Pinafore." The Ipswich Operatic Company, encouraged by their success with the "Pirates of Penzance" and "Iolanthe," have practically decided—though the matter is not absolutely settled—to produce in the spring another of Gilbert and Sullivan's operas, "H.M.S. Pinafore." This is considered the easiest of the three, and if they proceed to its study soon, they hope to be able to give the performance early in April.

Ipswich Conservative Association. We understand that Mr. W. A. Churchman has been approached with a view to his becoming President of the Ipswich Conservative Association, in succession to the Hon. Stanhope Tollemache, and we hope that he will accept the position. Mr. Churchman has already rendered valuable service to the party, and in so doing, has been following in the footsteps of his father, who for a considerable period was one of the Conservative representatives of the Westgate Ward on the Town Council.

Mildenhall Otters. Mr. Howlett, the Newmarket naturalist, has been directing attention in a sporting contemporary to the numerous otters to be found in the river Lark, in the neighbourhood of Mildenhall, at Barton Mills. He adds that should any pack of otter hounds decide to go there for a week or two next spring, they will be gladly welcomed. It is somewhat remarkable that none of the gentry in the locality of the otters have not established a pack ere this.

Publicans and Politics. The *Westminster Gazette* of Saturday contained a startling piece of advice in its editorial leader on the vestry elections, "Never vote for a publican." This is hardly consistent for a party whose leaders, such as Lord Rosebery, the holder of £10,000 debentures in McEwan and Co., brewers, Edinburgh; Lord Tweedmouth, a chief owner in Meux and Co.'s Brewery; Right Hon. J. Stansfeld, M.P., of Stansfeld and Co., and are so deeply interested in public-house property. After such advice the wonder is can a publican vote the *Westminster Gazette* way?

Continuation Classes. The Ipswich School Board are much more fortunate than many other similar bodies in relation to their evening continuation classes. In many parts of the country complaint is made that the evening classes are sparsely attended, and that those for whose benefit they are intended fail to take advantage of this excellent branch of educational work. In Ipswich, however, a contrary result is seen, and at Wednesday's meeting of the School Board the Rev. W. J. Garrould was able to report that not only was increased interest taken in the evening classes, but also that the students now number 1,171, with an average attendance of 200 more than in the corresponding week of last year. The recently established class for instruction in the violin had attracted no less than eighty pupils. The rising generation of Ipswich evidently value educational facilities which were not thought of in their fathers' day.

Labour Federations. Unpleasant revelation from the labourers' point of view is again made in our columns this week respecting the Norfolk and Norwich Labourers' Union, of which Mr. Geo. Edwards (well known in Diss and Eye Districts) is secretary. The balance-sheet of this Union, as supplied by the Chief Registrar, reveals a shocking state of affairs, which labourers would do well to bear in mind. The income for a year is stated to have been £211, while the salaries of officials, &c., for a similar period amounted to £236 4s. 9d., or £45 more than the actual income. Grants to members absorbed £69 19s., so that for every £1 distributed £3 10s. was disbursed in expenses! We have already exposed several other Labour Unions into which the labourers paid their hard-earned money, and we should advise the working-men of Diss, Eye, Stowmarket, &c., when next the advocates of the Norfolk and Norwich Labour Union (accompanied by the Land Restoration Leaguers) pay them a visit to demand an explanation of the above figures, failing which to drum the agitators out of the place.

Post Office Pressure. This is the time of year when the public may assist the postal officials by a little well-deserved consideration, and in a notice which he has just issued the Postmaster-General says that during the coming Christmas season the regular transmission and prompt delivery of letters, parcels, and Christmas and New Year's cards will be facilitated if the public will post their letters, parcels, &c., as early in the day as possible on the 22nd (to-day), 24th, and 31st inst., but especially on Saturday and Monday, the 22nd and 24th inst. As Christmas Day falls on Tuesday, Christmas cards and parcels should, as far as practicable, be posted during the previous week; at all events not later than Saturday, the 22nd inst. Express mail letters should be handed over the counter of a post-office on the 21st, 22nd, and 24th inst., in order to prevent the delay which might occur if they were posted in the ordinary boxes. It will be necessary very generally to close the letter boxes at provincial post-offices earlier than usual on the 24th and 31st inst.

A Light Railway for Cambs. At the recent meeting of the preference shareholders in the G.E.R. the chairman (Lord Claud Hamilton) explained the Company's proposals in the Bill which they are promoting in Parliament next Session for the construction of a light railway as a branch of their line in Cambridgeshire. He said they had been approached by some local landowners and farmers, who offered to provide the land and the money for the construction of the line if the Company would work it. The directors had, therefore, decided to make the railway themselves and work it, provided they got the necessary land at ordinary agricultural values, and that it should be for the carriage of goods only. It would be a good experiment, and if it was successful it would no doubt be followed in many other parts of the country. Coming as a genuine attempt to assist the agriculturist, the experiment will undoubtedly be watched with interest throughout Great Britain.

Scientific Agriculture! While anxious enough to see agriculture taught with scientific thoroughness, we have never (says a journal devoted to the landed interest) thought much of, or expected much from, the efforts which are being made to teach it at Cambridge. A university is obviously not the place for teaching such a subject. We have before us some figures relating to the first examination in agricultural science which took place at Cambridge last July. There were fifteen examiners for twelve candidates, ten of whom passed. The subjects included carpentry and book-keeping—dignified matters for an ancient University to examine in! The expenses exceeded £42, and the receipts were only £27; hence a deficit of more than £15. It would thus appear that agriculture is a losing affair even at the Universities. Let us hope that a few more such experiences will satisfy the University of Cambridge that it has had enough of this kind of thing.

A Pauper's Verses. At this season an opportunity is afforded Prohibitionists of putting their theories to work. An instance of this occurred at the Gateshead Board of Guardians. The Visiting Committee decided by a majority of one that no beer should be allowed the inmates this Christmas; the question came before the Board for confirmation, and in seconding the amendment, Dr. Abraham said he would like to read a few lines that had reached him by post—they were headed, "A prayer from the Workhouse to Dr. Abraham," and were as follows:—

"Now, Doctor, do whate'er you can
To get poor folks their beer;
Let not the stingy goody, goods
Deprive us of our cheer,
And we will drink your jolly health,
Both man and woman too,
And swear there's not and never was
A canny man like you."

Needless to say the amendment was carried by 14 to 9, and the paupers will have the pleasure of drinking the Doctor's jolly good health.

Personal. The marriage of Captain Bogle Smith, of the King's Dragoon Guards, with Miss Julia Katharine, youngest daughter of Mr. C. H. Berners, of Woolverstone Park, Ipswich, will take place on the 3rd of January, at Woolverstone.—According to latest bulletins Capt. Naylor Leyland, M.P. for Colchester, and Mrs. Leyland who, as we announced last week are suffering from typhoid fever, are making excellent progress towards recovery.—Mrs. Keeley, the veteran actress whom Ipswich people have on many occasions delighted to honour, was among the many theatrical celebrities who on Thursday sent floral tributes to be placed on the grave of the late Mr. R. H. S. Wyndham, in Brompton Cemetery.—Mr. H. M'Calmont, Unionist candidate for the Newmarket Division of Cambs., on Saturday set sail from Southampton for Gibraltar in his new yacht "Giraldar." He intends cruising in the Mediterranean until the end of April.—Mr. Cuthbert Quilter, M.P., of Bawdsey Manor, in addition to being present at the National Agricultural Congress last week, was on Tuesday one of the guests at the joint annual dinner of the Central Chamber of Agriculture and the Farmers' Club at the Holborn Restaurant.—Mr. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., Recorder of Colchester and leader of the bar at the Suffolk Assizes and Quarter Sessions, has recently disposed of his well-known philatelic collection to Mr. Stanley Gibbons, of the Strand. Mr. Philbrick is the author of a work on postage stamps, and those of which he has just disposed comprised nearly every known English plate, number, and issue. In addition the collection embraces a very valuable set of private telegraph stamps used by the various offices before the Government bought up the companies. Perhaps the most interesting feature is some 300 essays and designs which were submitted prior to the introduction of the penny postage, on the 6th of May, 1840. The price paid by Messrs. Stanley Gibbons is said to be nearly £2,000.

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The following have been successful in obtaining the scholarships vacant in Ipswich Schools:—Girls' Middle School: Scholarship for daughter of a freeman, Eva May Gould, 10 years old, educated at St. Margaret's School, daughter of Wm. Gould, plumber and gas-fitter, of 2, Cemetery Road, Ipswich. Boys' Middle School: Scholarship for son of a freeman, Conrad Flowers Gould, nine years old, educated at St. Margaret's School, son of George Gould, joiner, of 22, Bolton Lane, Ipswich. Two Queen's Scholarships in Ipswich Grammar School: Leonard Seymour Clark, 13 years old, educated at home, son of the Rev. W. F. Clark, rector of St. Stephen's, Ipswich; Matthew Gordon Constable, aged nine, educated at Rowan House School, son of Mr. Constable, of 20, Alpe Street, Ipswich. In this last competition there were seven candidates. The number of Queens Scholarships vacant was three. As according to the rules there must be three candidates for each scholarship awarded, one would have remained unawarded but for a rule by which this could, under the circumstances, be competed for by boys attending the School. This was won by James Raymond Cornell, aged 12, son of Mr. Philip Cornell, chemist, of 88, Berners Street, Ipswich. Another scholarship thrown open to all members of the school under 15 (under section 63 of the Scheme), was awarded to C. F. R. Graham. The scholarships at the Middle School have been awarded by the Governors, on the results of the recent examinations, as under:—Four open scholarships, to—Cyril L. Cullingford, 19, Portman Road; Harold G. Ellis, 34, Bridge Street; Thomas Phillips, 41, Wilberforce Street; and Ernest C. Pyatt, A.M.C. Villa, York Road.

STOWMARKET LOCAL BOARD.

A GLANCE AT THE PAST.

The final meeting of the Stowmarket Local Board under the old *régime*, was held at the Court House on Friday evening, Mr. W. G. Ranson in the chair; present—Messrs. G. J. Gostling, J. E. Simpson, C. Marriott, S. Prentice (clerk), and H. Simpson (surveyor).—Mr. P. C. N. Peddar reported that he had made a careful examination of the farm produce and premises to be paid for to Mr. Josiah Matthews, and found that there was £21 due to him; the cottage repairs and other items, for which Mr. Matthews was liable, he estimated at £24 3s. 6d., so that the balance due to the Board for rent, &c., was £18 3s. 6d. It was resolved that the Board accept £15 from Mr. Matthews in full discharge of his rent and valuation.—The Clerk read a letter from the New Explosives Company requesting a reply to their communication of November 15th, in which they asked payment of £34 19s. 2d. for constructing a conduit from the Combs river for utilising the water in their works, owing to the Gipping being so impure. After discussion it was resolved that the Clerk be instructed to reply that the Board could not accept the responsibility of the charge.—A letter was received from the East Suffolk County Council saying that the request of the Local Board that the Council should take over the Pickerel Bridge was declined.—Mr. G. J. Gostling thought that the County Council had treated the Board most curtly in the matter, when they remembered that the Pickerel Bridge was really the only approach to the parish of Stowupland, and that the main road commenced about 20 yards beyond the railway gates. He suggested that if the County Council did not see its way clear to maintain the bridge the Board should declare the bridge closed, except for foot passengers.—Mr. Marriott suggested that possibly the County Council would meet them in the matter if approached. Mr. G. J. Gostling, however, proposed that the matter be referred to the new District Council for further consideration.—The Clerk read a letter from the Local Government Board, asking as to the appointment of a medical officer, and it was resolved that Mr. J. W. Harper be re-appointed until 31st December next. The Local Board was then adjourned *sine die*. The Burial Board business was next taken. Tenders were opened for the erection of wire fencing at the new Cemetery, that of Mr. Salmon being accepted. Mr. Taylor's tender was also accepted for the erection of three gates. Before dispersing the Chairman said he very much regretted the absence of Mr. John Hayward, and he trusted that the majority if not all the old members would be re-elected; at the same time he thought that they might safely take credit to themselves that they had done a good work. The roads were in a satisfactory condition, a number of cement paths had been laid down, and it was hoped the new Council would continue them. They had purchased 41 acres of land for a new cemetery and allotments, for which they paid a sum of £95 16s. 4d., and received about £90 9s. 4d. in rents, etc., so that in 28 years' time the cemetery and allotments would be the property of the town, and he thought a very valuable one too. Mr. Hayward had presided over them for many years, and he thought their thanks were due to him for the kind yet firm manner in which he had conducted their meetings. (Applause.) A vote of thanks was also passed to the officers and servants of the Board, on whose behalf Mr. S. Prentice replied.

RUPTURE.—J. A. Sherman, Hernia Specialist. If you wish to be cured, send for his book, post free 7d. —J. A. Sherman, 19, Mount Street, opposite Central Station, Manchester.

STRANGE DISCOVERY AT YARMOUTH

A sailor named Liffin, while dredging for mussels near the Upper Ferry, Great Yarmouth, brought up in his net a brown paper parcel. It contained the body of a newly-born female child wrapped in a towel and chemise.

HANGED IN A CELL.

A weaver named Reid, who was arrested on Monday in Glasgow on a charge of assault, was found on Wednesday morning suspended by the neck in a cell in the Eastern Police-station, having committed suicide during the night.

THE FIELD.

The Duke of Hamilton's Harriers will meet on Monday, December 24th, at Kettleburgh School; Friday, December 28th, at Wood Farm, Laxfield, at 11. The Henham Harriers will meet on Wednesday, December 26th, at Toft Lion; Saturday, December 29th, at Cockfield Hall, at 11. The Suffolk Foxhounds will meet on Saturday, December 29th, at Three Kings, Fornham.

WHEELERS' ENCAMPMENT AT YARMOUTH.

A proposal has been made that a cyclists' camp with members drawn from Essex, Norfolk, and Suffolk should be held on private grounds near Yarmouth next summer. The Earl of Warwick, President of the Essex Cyclists' Union, has presented that organisation with a silver challenge cup of the value of £25 for competition among Essex men.

DEATH OF MR. G. D. SHEE, OF FELIXSTOWE.

The death has occurred at Landguard Lodge, Felixstowe, of Mr. George Darrell Shee, District Probate Registrar for East Suffolk and North Essex, and Recorder of Hythe. He was the eldest son of the late Hon. Sir Wm. Shee, a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench, and brother of Mr. H. G. Shee, Q.C., Recorder of Burnley and Judge of Salford Hundred Court of Record.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

IPSWICH CENTRE.

The last meeting of the Nursing Corps was a great success, Mr. Elliston giving a lecture on "Physiology," with lantern illustrations by Mr. Cowan. The Association is grateful to these gentlemen for the kind interest they take in the work. Examinations are now going on, conducted by Brigade Surgeon Lieut.-Col. C. B. McNatty, detailed from London for the purpose. Twenty-eight men were examined on Thursday evening, including some of the borough police. Yesterday and to-day are devoted to the examination of Women's First Aid and Nursing Classes. All these are under the Technical Education scheme. The postmen and Station Street Institute are to be examined in January, and Mr. Fryer hopes to begin another Dockers' Class, by request, next month.

SUICIDE ON HIS WEDDING DAY.

Henry Godley, aged 34, a porter employed at the Inns of Court Hotel, London, was a steady and good servant. He was "missed" on Sunday, but it was thought that he might have gone out for the day. The following morning a search was made, and in the boxroom on the top floor he was discovered lying between two palliasses with his throat cut. A blood-stained razor was near his right hand, and he was fully dressed and quite dead. At the inquest on Tuesday Annie Tidey, a young woman living at Knott's Road, Old Kent Road, said that she was to have been married to deceased on Sunday last. On that morning witness and her friends were awaiting his coming to go to church. She had known him five years, always as a cheerful and honorable man. The Jury returned a verdict of "Suicide while of unsound mind."

SUFFOLK SHEEP SOCIETY.

Mr. W. N. Waller presided over a Council meeting of this Society held at Ipswich yesterday. The Secretary (Mr. Ernest Prentice) reported that the Royal Society had promised to make a class for ewe lambs at their show in 1896, and regretted that they could not do so next year. The Editing Committee had not completed their labours, but reported that up to the present time applications had been made to renew the registration of 141 flocks, and for the admission of 15 fresh flocks, making a total of 156 against a total of 152 last year. One or two other applications were expected still to come in. The inspectors sent out to visit the new flocks had been instructed to be particularly careful to see that they were well up to the standard before admitting them. Mr. John Turner, of Clare, Mr. F. W. Cobb, of Newmarket, and Mr. Round, M.P., of Birch Hall, Colchester, were admitted members of the Society.

IPSWICH LYCEUM STAFF DINNER.

The annual dinner of the Ipswich Lyceum Staff was held on Wednesday night at the Cross Keys Hotel. Mr. Hugh Turner (chairman of the directors) presided, and was supported by Mr. Arthur Pearce (secretary), and Mr. W. G. Fisk (manager). An excellent meal was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Makin, and the evening was very pleasantly spent in toast and song. Mr. Pearce in very complimentary language proposed the health of the staff, calling upon various members to respond—Mr. Fisk for the front, Mr. Danbrook for the band, Mr. Dawdry for the scene-shifters, and Mr. Spinks for the gallery attendants. The toast of "The Directors," given by Mr. Fisk, was heartily received and acknowledged in a similar spirit by Mr. Hugh Turner. Songs were contributed by Mr. W. Powling, Mr. G. Rowland, Mr. Baldry, Mr. T. Sage, Mr. E. Myers, Mr. T. Turner and Mr. H. E. Paxman. Mr. W. Danbrook and Mr. G. Dawdry played a violin solo, Mr. Fisk gave a recitation. Pianoforte solos and accompaniment were rendered by Mr. Dorling.

YACHTING FIXTURES, 1895.

At a meeting convened by the Yacht Racing Association for representatives of yacht clubs of the United Kingdom, at which some 70 clubs were represented, Mr. Lucas T. Cobbold, the honorary secretary of the Royal Harwich Yacht Club, and Mr. E. Packard, jun., commodore of the Orwell Corinthian Yacht Club, attended on behalf of their respective clubs, and, in spite of considerable opposition, they succeeded in getting the Witsun week fixed for the Royal Harwich Jubilee Regatta as proposed by the Committee of that Club. The programme for the coast races between Dover and Lowestoft were agreed upon as follows:—River matches, New Thames Y.C., 17th May; river Thames Y.C., 18th May. Race to Harwich, New Thames Y.C., 25th May. Brightlingsea and Lowestoft might be arranged if desired, the former on the 29th June, and the latter the 31st June. Royal Harwich Y.C. Regatta, 3rd and 4th June. Orwell Corinthian Yacht Club, 5th June. River matches, Royal London Y.C., June 9th; Royal Thames Y.C., June 9th; Nore Dover, June 9th. Royal Cinque Ports, June 10th; Dover, June 10th.

THE PARISH COUNCILS GAZETTE.

AN UNFORTUNATE DISCOVERY.

"LOOK UPON THIS PICTURE AND ON THIS."

Much amusement has been caused by the London *Globe* publishing two circular letters issued in the interests of the *Parish and District Councils Gazette and Municipal Record*. The editor of this paper has written to the proprietors of the *Globe* declaring that he was quite unaware of the intention of anyone to write commendatory letters about his paper, but as another two have fallen into our hands, we publish them, so that the public may see the tone of the letters posted in all directions by a clergyman and a minister. Some newspaper editors would only be too pleased to have one of the writers puffing up their newspaper, especially as these gentlemen have posted them free of all charge. They must have done so, for the editor of the *Parish Councils Gazette* declares that he has not authorised either of them to write on behalf of his paper. However, here are the letters:—

"Forest Fold, Baptist Chapel House,
"Crowborough, Withyham, Sussex,
"November 29th, 1894.

"Dear Friend,—I have taken an active interest in what I consider the important event of the launching of the *Parish and District Councils Gazette*, and friends of my own having had a leading part in its establishment, I venture for two reasons, as a fellow Nonconformist, to particularly ask for it your support. 1st. I think it right that we, as Nonconformists, should take an active interest in the new Councils, to prevent an undue preponderence of other influences which I need not name, and as this paper, which I know intends to serve us impartially, will be the recognised organ of the new bodies in our parishes, it appears to me important that it should not lack full Nonconformist support. 2nd. I should always, before according distinct support in such a matter, wish to be first satisfied that it is in the right hands. In the present case, as is already indicated, I am assured on that point. On the grounds named, therefore, I feel it right to the conductors, and in the interests of ourselves as Nonconformists to ask you, if possible, to become a subscriber, and to get as many active men in your congregation as possible to do the same. I am doing so myself, and having been the pastor of this church nearly 27 years, feel that in the interests of our own people I ought also to take a place on our parish Council here, as I am pressed to do, like other ministers I know, especially as important charities are concerned. I have asked the conductors to supply me with a specimen sheet and prospectus to send you along with this letter, which under the circumstances I feel sure you will excuse.—Believe me, yours truly,

"E. LITTLETON."

"St. Stephen's Vicarage, Albert Square,
"Clapham, S.W.

"Dear Sir,—As the Parish Councils Act introduces most important considerations into the government of our parish affairs, I think it essential that Churchmen should take a fully active interest in them, and as the representative organ of these new bodies must have considerable influence, I feel it to be important in Church interests that the newspapers should be assured of full Church support, seeing that Nonconformists are sure to accord this and to take a strong part in the affairs of the Councils. I have been asked to address a letter embodying these views to a certain number of clergymen, and venture to ask you if possible, for the reasons named, to yourself to become a subscriber, and to induce as many of those amongst your parishioners as possible to do the same. The new journal will be strictly impartial and non-political.—Believe me, yours truly,

"J. GRUNDY."

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DEATH OF MR. R. L. STEVENSON.

The death is reported at Apia, of Mr. R. L. Stevenson, the novelist. The report lacks confirmation.

THE GRAND CAFE RESTAURANT.

The first portion of an exceedingly handsome addition to the buildings of Ipswich has just been completed and thrown open to the use of the public. The Grand Café Restaurant and Winter Gardens, which now occupy the site of the old Beehive Hotel, are well worth inspection. Here, surrounded by every luxury and comfort, the visitor is served with every variety of refreshment at reasonable charges, and in the best possible style, the cuisine being under the superintendence of a French chéf.

THE NEW RECTOR OF KELSALE.

On Thursday afternoon, the Venerable Archdeacon Gibson inducted the Rev. G. H. D. Davies into the Rectory of Kelsale-cum-Carlton, vacant on the death of his father, the Rev. G. Irving Davies. Previous to the service the public were excluded, and after the usual ceremony of unlocking the door, tolling the bell &c., a hymn was sung. Special prayers, &c., were used, the Revs. B. W. Raven (Leiston), G. Allan (Kenton), and G. H. Noel (curate) taking part. The Venerable Archdeacon gave a most impressive address on the duties of clergymen towards their people and the duties of the people towards the clergyman.

PAVING AND LIGHTING IN IPSWICH.

Mr. B. P. Grimsey presided at the meeting of the Ipswich Paving and Lighting Committee yesterday, when the Borough Surveyor (Mr. E. Buckham) reported that last March about £213 was spent on the Norwich Road. The work, however, was deferred in order to give attention to the main roads leading from the town, and he asked that the work be still further delayed until the Committee knew the amount of expenditure on highways. This view was endorsed by the Committee. Applications were made for additional lamps in the vicinity of St. Mary Elms and the Royal Oak, Felixstowe Road, but they were refused. At the suggestion of Mr. Catchpole, it was decided to place a lamp on the Gyppeswyk Park side of the railway arch leading from Ranelagh Road, the exact position to be determined by Mr. Catchpole and the Lighting Inspector.

EYE NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

The annual distribution of prizes at these Schools took place, prior to breaking up for the Christmas holidays, on Thursday afternoon. The prizes, which were given for regular attendance, good conduct, and proficiency in lessons, were distributed by the Vicar (Rev. Arthur J. Spencer), in the presence of a few friends of the School. The following were the prize winners:—Standard VII.: C Borrett. Standard VI.: C Skuffham, W Rampling. Standard V.: W Runcres, H Crisp, L Evans, E Cracknell, E Rampling, F Wright. Standard IV.: V R Woods, C Runacres, M Welham, L Weavers, A Rampling, E Etheridge. Standard III.: A Turner, T Turner, W Gould, G Roper, G Chambers, H Coote, K Woods, A Leader, M Harvey, A Cason, M Coote, L Bond. Standard II.: H Turner, A Driver, T Lay, B Chambers, A Pettit, A Norman, C Culyer, F Boatman, M Lawrence, A Vincent, A Wright, A Green, M Stannard, E Gooderham. Standard I.: D Welham, E Bowell, H Ford, P Gill, C Rowling, F Hogg, G Sillett, A Rampling, M Luffs, R Chambers, L Leader, E Welham. Fifteen children in the mixed department attended every time the school was opened. Twelve infants also received prizes. The scholars, who were suitably addressed by the Vicar, sang several school songs remarkably well under the conductorship of the head master, Mr. F. W. Bray.

THE AGRICULTURAL DISTRESS.

THREE SUFFOLK FAILURES.

The Official Receiver (Mr. F. Messent) has issued statements of the following bankruptcies:—Philip Homer Page, of Woolpit, a retired captain in her Majesty's Army, now of no occupation. Debts due to unsecured creditors, £4,703 12s. 9d.; to creditors fully secured, £6,720; assets, £164 0s. 2d. The debtor is the owner of nearly 400 acres of land, the house he resides in, a brick kiln, and some cottages, the whole being covered by three or four mortgages, amounting in the aggregate to £6,720. For the purpose of this statement the mortgagees are all estimated to be fully secured, but no surplus is anticipated from their securities. One of the other unsecured debts £134 is returned as due to trade creditors, and the balance is due to two private individuals for money lent at various dates. The debtor states that in 1875 he should have been very unwilling to accept £15,000 for the property, which is now held by secured creditors and valued at £6,720, and he attributes his insolvency entirely to the depreciation in the value of land.—In the case of William Chapman, farmer, of Hemingstone, the debts due to unsecured creditors amount to £467 9s. 11d., and the deficiency to £289 9s. 11d. The debtor, who states he is 33 years of age, was for some time bailiff or steward to a gentleman in the neighbourhood of Ipswich, but 18 years ago he commenced business as a farmer, having a capital of about £500.—In the third case the liabilities of Ben Walter Notley Chittock, of Wilby, farmer, amount of £1,679 10s. 1d., and the deficiency is £1,628 5s. 1d. The debtor, who filed his own petition, has for some years been in business as a farmer. The debtor attributes his insolvency to the payment of interest on borrowed capital, and states that owing to the low price of corn the farm has not produced enough to pay his expenses.

MUSIC AND DRAMA IN SUFFOLK.

The "The New Boy," now being played to crowded houses at the Vaudeville Theatre, London, will be played at the Lyceum Theatre, Ipswich, for three nights, commencing January 3rd, for which an exceptionally strong company has been engaged. In the history of farcical comedy never has such an instantaneous and well-deserved success been obtained, and the London and provincial press are unanimous in their praise. The *Daily Telegraph* declares "That the audience laughed incessantly for two good hours, and 'The New Boy,' was promoted to the first-class and put at the top of the form by universal acclamation." The *Referee* says:—"Mr. Arthur Law has hit the bull's eye this time, for 'The New Boy' is one of the most excruciatingly funny things I have seen for years." *Truth*, says:—"The third act is as good as the first. It starts and ends with genuine laughter. In fact 'The New Boy' will be a very old boy indeed before the public has done with him."

The Lyceum Theatre, Ipswich, will open on Boxing Day with Mr. Fred. G. Latham's Company, in "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray." On the Saturday following Christmas Day there will be a *matinée* performance. "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" is one of Mr. Pinero's masterpieces, and Ipswich theatre-goers should not miss this opportunity of seeing it.

At the examination in music held in Ipswich, Miss Florence Violet Hayward, of Abbotts Hall, Stowmarket, pupil of Miss J. Salmon, passed in the "Intermediate" London College of Music.

PARISH COUNCILS ELECTIONS IN SUFFOLK.

THE LABOURER'S CHARTER OF LIBERTY.

The sap was going to stir, we were told, before the Parish Councils elections took place, and we were assured, by the Radical village demagogues that the whole of the clergy, squirearchy, and middle-class people would be at the bottom of the polls; that the labourers would reign supreme; that, in short, the millennium was just arriving. How wofully they have been disappointed will be seen from the figures that we publish below. Where there were no contested elections the labourer has secured a fair representation on the Council, but where a poll has been demanded the results have, indeed, been regrettable. Our returns are by no means complete for, unfortunately, some of our correspondents have omitted to state the employment of the candidates, but still the figures that we give will afford a fair indication of the results in Suffolk. The Educative Conference at Ipswich has proved abortive. The untruthful pamphlets that were given away broadcast in the meeting have proved useless; Hodge won't be any longer humbugged. We are pleased indeed to see that the extension of the franchise was confidence well placed. The returns from what were hitherto considered the Radical strongholds of Suffolk are particularly interesting. They show that the ballot is the best friend of the upholders of the Constitution. There the voters are safe from the terrorism of the agitator. In proof of this, take the cases of Coddenham, Haughley, and East Bergholt. We could cite other instances, but these are sufficient for the purpose on hand. At Coddenham, on a show of hands being taken, the Vicar only received a few votes, and a farmer three. A poll was demanded, and on the result of the ballot being declared the farmer received 52 votes and the clergyman was found elected. At Haughley no labourers were elected at all, and the same took place at East Bergholt. In every case a compromise was offered to the labourers, but these were refused. Much fear was expressed before the election that the labourer would abuse his power, but the result has shown that despite his opportunities for becoming conversant with the true state of the political world, he has shown a truer grasp of the situation than many would have had us believe. The agitator cried many were trying to sandwich up the higher politics with the Parish Councils, but the result shows that their efforts have been futile. There is no doubt that the Radical party have employed numbers of agitators, but as we have said, the labourer, where the ballot was in operation, voted fearlessly for ability, irrespective of politics. The following are the returns in the non-contested elections:—

Labourers, 115.
Artizans, 22.
Tradespeople, 113.
Insurance agents, 4.
Farmers and land agents, 102.
Clergymen, 17.
Ministers, 4.
Gentlemen, 31.
Professions, 15.

CONTESTED ELECTIONS.

Labourers, 45.
Artizans, 20.
Tradespeople, 172.
Insurance agents, 2.
Farmers and land agents, 93.
Clergymen, 11.
Ministers, 6.
Gentlemen, 29.
Professions, 23.

Lady 1, grooms 3, superannuated policeman 1, shepherd 1, sextons 2, carters 2, station-master 1, foreman 4, signalman 1, letter-carriers 3.

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EXTRAORDINARY AFFAIR AT SANDGATE.

An unusual sight was witnessed in the Channel, off Sandgate, on Tuesday afternoon, when a very large waterspout descended. An eye-witness states that the water on reaching the sea rebounded into the air some 200 or 300ft. Fortunately, no vessels were in the immediate locality.

SUDDEN DEATH IN A MEETING.

Sir Edmund Lechmere, M.P.—one of the most respected members of the House of Commons—died very suddenly at Pershore. He was about to address a large meeting of his constituents in the Music Hall, and was apparently in the best of health. Before entering the hall he was talking in good spirits to one of his supporters, when he fell against the side of a table. He then said, "I'm all right." These were his last words, for he almost immediately expired. The cause of death is attributed to epilepsy. The Earl of Coventry, who was to have presided at the meeting, announced the sad news with much emotion, and those present quietly dispersed. Sir Edmund Lechmere was born in 1826, was a D.L. and J.P. for Worcestershire, and senior partner in the Worcester Old Bank. He sat as M.P. for Tewkesbury, 1866-68, and Worcestershire, 1876-85; unsuccessfully contested Tewkesbury in 1868 and 1874, and has sat for the Evesham Division of Worcestershire since 1885.

SUBSCRIPTION BALL AT YOXFORD.

A very successful subscription ball was given in the Assembly Room at the Three Tuns Hotel, Yoxford, on Friday last. The decorations, which were tasteful and effective, were carried out under the superintendence of Captain Wilmer and Lady Blois. The floor was in splendid condition. A marquee erected between the hotel and the ballroom made an agreeable retiring apartment, being adorned with flags and well furnished with sofas and lounges. The staircase and corridors were carpetted with crimson cloth, light refreshments were set out in the coffee-room, and an elegant supper was provided by Mr. Beatton in the billiard saloon. The ball began at half-past nine o'clock to the strains of the Blue Hungarian Band. The company numbered more than 100, among those present being the Countess of Stradbroke, Lady Gwendoline Rous, Col. Bonham and party, Sir Ralph and Lady Blois and Misses Blois, Lady Constance Barne and Miss Barne, Col. the Hon. J. Vanneck and the Hon. Misses Vanneck, Major and Mrs. Bence Lambert and party, Mr. C. J. Lomax and Miss Lomax and party, Mr. and Mrs. Parry Crooke, Hon. Percy Thellusson and the Hon. Misses Thellusson, Mr. and Mrs. Levett Scrivener, Mrs. Holland and party, Mrs. Price and party, Earl of Norbury, Major Colvin, Mr. and Misses Doughty, Major and Mrs. Collins, Mr. F. J. Wootton-Isaacson, Mr. N. and Misses Hayward, and Mr. P. Whitaker. Sir Ralph Blois undertook the duties of secretary and treasurer.

CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT

AT FELIXSTOWE.

The members of the Felixstowe Choral Society, which comprises vocalists from Walton and Trimley, gave their first concert of the season in the Victoria Hall on Thursday, upon the result of which both the members and their conductor (Mr. T. Palmer, Mus. Bac.) deserve congratulation. There was a large and appreciative audience present, the comfort of visitors from Ipswich being greatly enhanced by the special late train run by the G.E.R. Company. Capt. E. G. Pretyman is president of the Union and Mr. Felix Cobbold the vice-president. The first part of a most enjoyable and well executed programme consisted of Romberg's "Lay of the Bell," with a miscellaneous selection of music after the interval. The principals were: Miss Amy Harding (soprano), Mr. D'Arcy Clayton (tenor), and Mr. Joseph Layland (bass)—all vocalists of high repute. The chorus was composed of nearly 100 voices, and the band was made up as follows:—Pianoforte, Miss Fox, A.R.C.O.; 1st violins, Mr. J. B. King, Mr. J. Cooper, Mr. C. Prentice, Miss Mary Bland, Miss Dorothy Webb and Miss Olive Seager; 2nd violins, Mr. H. Coe, Mr. J. W. Coe, Miss Mabel Seager, Miss Muriel Webb and Miss Margaret Field; violas, Mrs. Palmer and Miss Alice Palmer; violoncellos, Miss Nellie Palmer, Mrs. Seager and Mr. J. W. B. King; double bass, Mr. Coe; flute, Mr. Thompson; oboe, Mr. F. Pratt; clarionet, Mr. F. King; horns, Mr. Manning and Mr. A. Manning; trumpets, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Flack. Both principals and chorus acquitted themselves admirably, and at the close of the performance they were received with the warmest applause. The following was the miscellaneous programme:—Part song, "Over Hill, over Dale"; song, "The Holy City," Mr. D'Arcy Clayton; trio in B flat for piano, clarionet, and violoncello (1st movement), Mr. T. Palmer, Mr. Raven, and Miss Nellie Palmer; song, "Sing, Sweet Bird," Miss Amy Harding; violoncello solo, "Tarantelle," Miss Nellie Palmer; song, "The Storm Fiend," Mr. J. Layland; overture, "La Sirène," the band.

IPSWICH WORKHOUSE MASTER'S PENSION.

ANIMATED DISCUSSION.

After the ordinary business at the meeting of the Ipswich Board of Guardians on Friday Mr. John Pells, senior vice-chairman, who did not secure re-election for St. Margaret's this week, said that this was the last meeting of the Board that he should ever attend, and he should like, therefore, to thank the Board for the great kindness and courtesy they had shown him. In bidding them farewell he wished them success in their work.—The Chairman (Mr. S. R. Anness) said he could not allow Mr. Pells to leave without expressing his views on the matter. He was extremely sorry that the parishioners had not re-elected Mr. Pells, for without undervaluing the services of other members of the Board he must say that Mr. Pells had been one of the most useful Guardians. The technical knowledge he possessed had been of great value to the Board. He knew of many cases in which they would have had to employ outside help but for his aid. He had also taken a great deal of trouble in investigating cases which had needed inquiry. He thought that they as a Board might express their deep regret at the removal of Mr. Pells.—Mr. J. B. Fraser seconded the motion, concurring that the Board was losing one of its most valuable members. He ventured to express the hope, in which he knew every member of the Board would join, that some power might be found for retaining the services of Mr. Pells as an outside vice-chairman.—Mr. Pells replied he was very much obliged to the Board for their vote. What he had done he had done with a great deal of pleasure, and he believed he had set the example of keeping good time. A vote of thanks was afterwards passed to the other retiring members of the Board, reference being made to the services of Mr. H. G. Tunmer, Mr. George Abbott, Mr. Griffin, and Mr. J. H. Grimwood.—In the absence of Mr. Pells, who had to leave early to fulfil another engagement, Mr. J. B. Fraser moved that a pension of £50 a year be granted to Mr. Sidney (the retiring Workhouse master) and £30 a year to Mrs. Sidney (the retiring matron). He thought it a matter for regret that the services of Mr. Sidney, with his ripe experience, should be lost to the Board, and it was also a matter for regret that the reason of his retirement should be illness. He (Mr. Fraser) was as strongly opposed as anyone to the principle of superannuation, but 21 years ago, when Mr. Sidney was appointed, there was a moral understanding that a superannuation allowance was generally given. Mr. W. C. Williams seconded the motion.—Mr. George Fenn proposed, and Mr. C. Borrett seconded, an amendment that the decision be left to the new Board.—The Rev. T. W. Tozer said that at the Local Government Board enquiry the master (Mr. Sidney) stated that the fact of his not having visited the wards on a certain night was an exception to the rule. Subsequently, however, when the St. Peter's Workhouse Committee pressed him on the matter, he confessed that he

DID NOT REGULARLY VISIT THE WARDS,

and declared, in fact, that in his state of health he could not. He further intimated that if the Board were ready to recommend a pension to enable him to retire, he was ready to tender his resignation. He (Mr. Tozer) did not think that the members generally were anxious to secure a pension for Mr. Sidney, but they were anxious to secure his resignation. Opposed as he was to the granting of pensions, he did not feel inclined to oppose the decision the Committee arrived at, but he did not vote for it. He was sorry that Mr. Sidney was unwell, but to pretend to regret the loss of Mr. Sidney as master of the Workhouse would be an outrage on their common sense. He could not understand how any member acquainted with all the circumstances could get up at this Board and utter a sentiment of that kind. He rather doubted whether they had the power to grant this pension, and if they had not he thought they should not assume it. The people who had to find the money were utterly against the proposal. He should not oppose the motion, however, because he wanted to get rid of the Master, and it was only by giving him a pension that they could get his resignation.—Mr. Fulcher remarked that if the Workhouse Committee had pledged themselves to a pension they could not recoil from it, but the Committee had no business to pledge the Board.—The Rev. A. A. Dowsett did not see any reason for postponing the question. Members should have the courage of their convictions. The whole thing was thoroughly discussed. It was clearly shown to the Committee that the Master was incapable of service. This seemed to be a matter of justice as well as of honour. Mr. Sidney was elected twenty-one years ago on the understanding that there would be a pension, and they were therefore bound in honour to make him one. At the same time it should be known that as Mr. Sidney was not well enough to discharge the duties of the office, he was told that in any case he would have to resign.—Mr. George Abbott concurred with Mr. Dowsett that Mr. Sidney tendered his resignation on the understanding he would have a pension.—Mr. J. H. Grimwade was in favour of leaving the matter to be settled by the new Board.—Mr. W. O. White thought it was a tactical mistake for the Board to undertake the settlement of this question. At the same time he held that the old Board must know the value of their servants better than a new Board.—Mr. J. B. Fraser, replying on the debate, regretted that he had committed "an outrage" on anyone's feelings, but he maintained what he had said before. He failed to find any reason for postponement. Mr. Tozer was a member of the Committee, and when the report was brought before the Board it was passed unanimously. They had a right to suppose that Mr. Tozer concurred, as he did not dissent. If they did not grant Mr. Sidney the pension, they could not accept his resignation, for it was given on the understanding that this arrangement would be carried out. Let the Board show that they had some moral backbone. He admitted that there had been some expression of feeling at the poll against the pension, but this was because people did not understand the question, and old representatives of the Board did not really try to get re-elected.—Six voted for the amendment, twelve on the contrary. The motion for granting the pension was then carried by 15 votes to one (Mr. Fulcher).

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FATAL ACCIDENT AT AN ELECTION.

During the guardians' elections at Darwen two conveyances collided, and the occupants of one were thrown out, one of whom, a man named Longworth, was instantly killed.

THE ALLEGED ARSON AT WHEPSTEAD.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

William Tatum, aged 23, son of a farm bailiff, was charged at Bury St. Edmund's on Wednesday with having wilfully set fire to a wheat and straw stack at Whepstead on December 12th.—Mr. C. E. Salmon, who prosecuted, recalled the fact that a number of fires had recently occurred in the locality. The defendant resided at Piper's Farm, within 933 yards of the stack destroyed. A labourer named John Smith, of Whepstead, stated that on the Wednesday evening he was with defendant at the Spread Eagle Inn, Bury St. Edmund's. Coming home they walked together as far as Knights's gate, Whepstead. Defendant got over the gate, which would be his nearest way home. Defendant had had a little beer, but the witness did not consider him the worse for drink.—Police-constable Churchyard deposed that he traced footprints from the locality of Piper's Farm towards Bury, and also homewards from Knights's gate across fields towards the stack—to within a few yards—about 32 walking paces; also down a barley stubble field, and on to mangold, over a fence, on towards the direction of Piper's Farm, but not the whole way. Defendant's boots corresponded with the footmarks, which seemed to have left the ordinary pathway, and went along by a different route. Prisoner, when asked to explain, exclaimed, "This is funny." Casts of the footprints were produced by Supt. Clarke. Defendant was committed for trial at the Assizes, the Magistrates offering to accept bail, prisoner in £50, and two sureties of £25 each. As it was not forthcoming he was removed in custody.

THEOBALD'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT NEEDHAM MARKET.

Although one of the smallest of the numerous Grammar Schools in Suffolk, the endowment at Needham Market known as Theobald's Grammar School deservedly takes the rank among the best, and in Mr. T. Normandale the school has a most painstaking, thorough-going headmaster. These characteristics were fully borne out on the occasion of the annual concert and prize distribution in Needham Town Hall on Thursday, when the boys distinguished themselves most assuredly in one branch of their education, viz., music and singing. The Hall was crowded with parents and friends of the pupils, the Rev. Jas. Wilson, M.A., rector of Barking, presiding. There were also present on the platform:—Mr. Henry Lingwood (chairman of the Governors), Mr. Charles Cooper, Mr. Henry Richard Norris, M.A. (assistant master at the Ipswich School, and the examiner for the year), Mr. Thomas Normandale (head master), and Mr. Myles Gilbert (clerk to the Governors). The proceedings opened with a satirical recitation from the "Ingoldsby Legends," by E. E. Cutting. P. Godfrey, H. E. Ward, and H. Harrington followed with a well-executed pianoforte trio. A school chorus and a humorous duet by P. Nunn and E. Cattermole created a furore of applause, the two last-named receiving a well-merited encore. The instrumental polka, "Serenade de Mandolines," by Mrs. Normandale (piano), Mr. Normandale ('cello), Mr. G. Pratt ('cello), F. M. Gilbert, C. Capon, W. L. Leggott, A. E. Simpson, and W. T. W. Orford (violins), was executed with splendid effect, and showed unmistakable signs of careful tuition. A descriptive chorus in the evergreen "Johnny Schmoker," by a number of scholars, also evoked an encore. In the interval between the first and second parts of the programme, the Chairman delivered a short, though humorous address, interspersed with several amusing anecdotes relating to school examinations in the days of his boyhood. Incidentally he mentioned that school examinations at the present time were a reality; there was no humbug, he remarked, about them, and parents might rely upon his word that, when their boys gained prizes, it was for

GENUINE HARD WORK AND ABILITY.

(Applause.) What a boy knew was bound to come out under the present system of examination papers.—Mr. H. R. Norris, M.A., the examiner, then read his report, from which we make the following excerpts:—"I have examined the school in Divinity, Latin, French, mathematics, drawing, and the usual English subjects. I am able to present a very satisfactory account of the work done during the year. The standard of work attempted this year by the sixth form shows a great advance on that of last year, and the results obtained are proportionately better. I must call especial attention to the admirable style in which the written work has been done, and to the habits of neatness and accuracy that all the boys have acquired. The Scripture history was well known throughout the school. In the sixth the high average of nearly 80 per cent. was obtained, Quinton and Gilbert ma. doing splendid papers. In Latin very good work was done by class I., Gilbert mi., Gilbert ma., and Quinton obtaining nearly full marks. Their translations were concise and accurate. In French class I. obtained the high average of 84 per cent. The translation of two hard French passages into English was well done by all, and most of them showed that they can accurately translate ordinary English passages into French. In Mathematics the sixth form sent up some good papers. The propositions of Euclid are known and understood, the riders in the paper being, with one exception, successfully attempted. In Algebra very promising work was done. In arithmetic all did very well, the high average of over 90 per cent. being obtained. In the English subjects the sixth and fifth maintained a very high average. No boy obtained less than half marks. It was by no means easy to discriminate between the excellent papers sent up by Gilbert ma., Gilbert mi., Quinton, and Boulter. In grammar a very hard passage was set for analysis, and it was well done. In history, beside the boys just mentioned, no one obtained very high marks. The writing exercise was well done by all, and a hard passage set for dictation was done successfully. A very high average was obtained throughout, no boy obtaining less than 60 per cent. The grammar and geography were well done. The writing left very little to be desired. A fairly good average was maintained throughout. Of the drawing, as done by all the boys, it would be impossible for me to speak too highly. The maps drawn by the boys of the sixth, fifth, and fourth reflect the highest credit on those responsible for teaching both the geography and the drawing. A new departure has this year been made in including scale drawing in the syllabus of work. The precision that is thus acquired in laying down simple plans cannot but be of immense service to boys in after life. Even those who have no artistic gifts can excel in this subject, and I am pleased to see that this branch of drawing is being taught in the school. Finally, I am convinced that every boy who is receiving his education in this school is being well taught, and especially those whose abilities are not of the highest order; and I must congratulate you on the thoroughly sound and satisfactory condition of all the departments of this school. —The headmaster (Mr. Normandale) addressing the scholars and friends of the school for the fourth year, said the report of the Inspector was, without doubt, the most satisfactory one they had ever had. (Applause.) Their numbers kept about the same, but they had failed to reach 40 as yet, although he still had hopes of doing so. Since last Christmas they had obtained the following certificates:—Twelve College of Preceptors, six shorthand, and nine Diocesan Scripture, and Mr. Woodcock Wells had promised an annual prize for shorthand. After referring to the

ATHLETICS OF THE SCHOOL,

having in cricket played 15 matches, of which they had won nine, and in football won six and lost four, the Head Master proceeded to speak of a subject which he said was now rapidly coming to the front, viz., the subject of middle-class education. The *Pall Mall Gazette* recently commenced a correspondence, a kind of crusade against the whole body of grammar school masters. It was not his intention then to defend that body. He however did admit that some reform was needed, and that in the direction of their examinations. Instead of middle class schools being examined by Cambridge Locals, and Oxford Locals, College of Preceptors, London Chamber of Commerce, Science and Art, London College of Music, Royal Agricultural Society, &c., some fair test should be given to all schools under schemes—one to those whose age limit is 10 to 19, and another similar, but not so wide, for those schools whose age limit was from seven to 16. That test might, with advantage, take the place of the usual Governors' examination. His reason for advocating that was because some schools obtained a kind of specious reputation based upon the successes of a few specially trained boys; whilst the remainder were treated as if of very small account, and left school with educations more or less imperfect. The test he had advocated would apply to the whole school and not to a select few. In conclusion he thanked the governors for their hearty and consistent support during the past year; also the donors of special prizes, and the Chairman for the kind remarks made about the school and its staff. He then then called upon Mrs. Wilson to distribute the prizes.

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SUFFOLK FAT CATTLE SHOW.

QUALITY ABOVE THE AVERAGE.

The annual show of the Ipswich Fat Cattle Club was held in the Drill Hall and specially erected adjacent buildings on Monday and Tuesday. The Club is fortunate in providing an exhibition which appeals alike to the agriculturists and the townspeople, the stock section being well prized, and the ladies' department made exceptionally attractive. The weather on both days somewhat affected the attendance, but in the afternoons and evenings there was a large muster. The president for the year is Mr. W. Cuthbert Quilter, M.P., who showed by his presence the keen interest he took in the undertaking. He was supported by the Mayor of Ipswich (Dr. Bartlet) and Mr. Edward Packard, jun. (vice-presidents). The number of cattle entered was one below that of last year, but the quality was superior to last year's, and, indeed, better than has been seen in Ipswich for a long time. The class for steers of any pure or cross-breed was a very good one, and included a bullock belonging to Mr. W. E. Learner, which has been at seven shows, and been reserved three times for breed and for champion cups, but was here disqualified as having passed the limit age of three years. The first prize for similar animals bred and fed in Suffolk and over 17 stone was taken by Messrs. Alderton and Wrinch, and the second by Mr. W. S. Everett, with a cross between the red-poll and Angus, which ran the leader pretty close. Heifers do not make a popular class as compared with steers, one reason, to use a popular phrase, being that they do not cut up so well, the proportion of fat to lean being greater. They, however, made a good class. Mr. Rudland's was considered to have a better middle, and consequently to be more symmetrical, and therefore took the first prize. In the class for red polled steers and heifers, Mr. Stevenson, of Norwich Road, won easily with Shotley Salisbury, which he bought at Mr. Spurling's sale. In the class for pairs of oxen or heifers there was an exceedingly sharp competition. Mr. Rudland was first with Devons, the steer having taken the breed cup in London and the heifer been commended. The steer was magnificent, and the heifer was very good, but not quite so level. Mr. Learner was second with a pair of Herefords of greater weight and of fine proportions. The pairs under two years old were very fine. Mr. Colman, M.P., was first with two splendid animals—one bred by the Marquis of Bute, and remarkable for its early maturity and exquisite form, and the other bred by Mr. Clare Sewell Read, and really one of the best two-year-old animals of the season. Mr. Learner was second with a pair of Hereford heifers. The similar class for steers, closed to the county of Suffolk, was really one of the most important in the show, for here farmers could exhibit without loss of money, and early matured animals were better represented, there being no fewer than eleven entries. The quality may be gathered from the fact that three commendations were bestowed in addition to the ordinary prizes. The judges were of opinion that a red poll sent by Mr. Snell, of Nettlestead Hall, and stated to be one year and 11 months old, was the best animal, but on the dentition test it appeared to be over two years. Mr. Snell states that he made careful enquiries as to the age of the animal from the man who calved it down, and the disqualification is the more to be regretted because the entry was also awarded the championship for the best steer. Mr. Rudland, who was second and had reserve for the championship, may, therefore, get the first prize and the championship. His exhibit was a fine cross-bred. Mr. Snell had another red poll reserved, which will thus take second prize. Mr. Rudland took the championship for the best heifer with a very promising animal. A pair of cross-breds, belonging to Mr. Brinkley, of Wickham Market, took the first for pair of fat beasts over-yeared in a large class. Mr. Berners took the special offered by Messrs. Bond with a magnificent Devon. The entry of sheep was below the average. Mr. Joseph Smith took the champion prize with a pen of Suffolks that at Smithfield were second in their class to another pen belonging to him which here were placed second to them. Mr. Blyth put in some fine Southdown wethers, and Mr. Smith a very promising pen of lambs. Swine were strongly represented. Lord Rendlesham was the principal winner of prizes for seed corn. Roots were very good for the season, but unfortunately some of the finer ones when cut into were found to be rather hollow, and the prizes had to go to the smaller specimens. The yellow turnips and swedes were particularly noticeable. There was an excellent competition in the twelve classes for vegetables and fruit raised by cottagers and holders of allotments not exceeding 100 rods. The prizes are given by Messrs. Edward Packard and Co. on the sole condition that the produce be grown in the open.

THE LADIES' DEPARTMENT

Again formed a very attractive feature of the exhibition, and there the objects of greatest interest were the table decorations, no fewer than eight tables having been laid out. The judges had a very difficult task in settling the order of merit, and even then, as must always happen in matters of individual taste, their opinions were more or less criticised. The first prize went to a very delicate and graceful arrangement of yellow chrysanthemums, Roman hyacinths, and artificial flowers, by Miss M. Green, of Paget Road, Ipswich. The second prize was taken by Miss M. Fison, whose work was elaborate, but by some thought too heavy; the principal flowers were yellow chrysanthemums, ferns and smilax. Miss May Woods was third with a dainty arrangement of yellow chrysanthemums, eucharis, and smilax. Miss Girling, of St. Mary Elms Vicarage, took fourth place with a very artistic decoration of violets and yellow chrysanthemums—so good, indeed, though a first effort, that it would probably have obtained a higher award if it had not been thought that violets do not show well in an artificial light. Miss Hartie Moir also made a very creditable *début* with a skilful arrangement of Bouvardiers, marguerites and ferns. In the class for groups of plants arranged for effect Mr. W. Beer, of Spring Road, Ipswich, put in a magnificent collection, remarkable, however, more for the variety and uniform excellence of the plants than for rare specimens. Among the best were the giant cyclamen, the asparagus procumbens, lady's slipper, azalias, begonias, hyacinths, chrysanthemums, and some very fine foliage plants. Mr. C. Clover was second with a varied and beautiful exhibit, and Mr. Notcutt third, with a choice group (including a lovely orchid), but not large enough. Mrs. George Gilbert, of Ipswich, showed her usual admirable taste and skill by winning first prizes both with bridal and ball room bouquets. Passing to the dairy produce it was noticeable that the entries of butter were smaller than last year, but the quality very meritorious. A few samples were deficient in colour, but others presented a good appearance showing the presence of butter-milk. There was some choice cream from the dairies of Mr. C. H. Berners. The poultry was well up to the average. Among the miscellaneous exhibits was a fine display of art needlework, and a good class of wood-carving, mostly done by students at the Ipswich School of Art.

THE LUNCHEON

was provided in the gallery at the end of the Hall, Mr. James Hardwick, of Queen Street Restaurant providing an excellent repast. Mr. Cuthbert Quilter, M.P., presided. Mr. Edward Packard, who was in the vice-chair, gave the health of the President and the toast of the members of Parliament, remarking that they were able to pay Mr. Cuthbert Quilter a well-merited compliment in asking him to respond to what was usually two separate toasts. It was not to be supposed that Parliament was going to do much for agriculture—all hope of that had been given up—(laughter)—but they might congratulate themselves on having a President who was thoroughly interested in the cause of agriculture. Mr. Quilter, in reply, said the responsibilities of a member were at all times great, and the responsibilities of an agricultural member at the present time were almost more than one knew how to cope with. He wished he could, like the member for the division in which they were met, believe in any one remedy by which all their ills and distresses might be immediately done away with. The only thing he had heard of, however, which was half so good as bi-metallism, was Mother Seigel's Syrup. (Laughter.) It must not be understood that he was speaking disrespectfully of bi-metallism. On the contrary, he felt himself far too stupid to grasp all its subtleties; but he confessed he had rather a leaning for less heroic and more prompt remedies. By the time the representatives of Europe had settled the exact ratio of value between silver and gold, where would the agriculturists be? He would rather see some practical and immediate attempt to reduce the burdens on land, which instead of showing any diminution seemed to be weekly increasing. A serious revision of railway rates was, in his opinion, required, and a greater utilisation of our canals and water-ways in order that agricultural produce might be moved more cheaply. Further, if light railways could be provided cheaply at the expense of the country without burdening the local rates, he thought they would be of considerable advantage. Having alluded sympathetically to the removal by death of Mr. Mumford Sexton, Mr. Henry Spurling, and Mr. Manfred Biddell during the year, he referred to the Agricultural Congress held in London last week. The great note struck there, he said, was the union of all the classes, and he felt that no real remedy for their depression would come to them unless all classes, landlord, tenant, and labourer, made up their minds to drop the petty political squabbles which seemed to be the main object of a great many people's lives. There were many things

OF MORE IMPORTANCE EVEN THAN PARISH COUNCILS.

He would not speak disparagingly of Parish Councils, but if agriculture was going on as it had done of late there would soon be another sort of union they would all have to go to. (Laughter.) In conclusion Mr. Quilter proposed the health of the Mayor and Corporation of Ipswich, congratulating the town that a gentleman like Dr. Bartlet had been appointed its head.—The Mayor in a humorous reply remarked that the President at the Stowmarket show said he looked to the Priest and to the Levite, and they both walked on the other side. Some present could remember a meeting which was held at Newcastle nearly three years ago. He read in the papers that a well-known minister, of some of whose views all of them did not approve, got up there and said he was willing to put the tithes in the melting pot. When he (Dr. Bartlet) read the paper to Mrs. Bartlet he said "There is a good time coming. I have to pay him about £6 a year tithe rent-charge on three acres; next October we shall be relieved of that. (Laughter.) Canon Bulstrode is going to reduce the burdens on land that we poor farmers may be able to get a living out of it." (Laughter.) He might add that the land was worked by one mare, and the produce of the land would not feed one mare, much less a Corporation. (Laughter.) Dr. Bartlet concluded by proposing the health of the Judges, coupled with the names of Miss Martin and Mr. George Gooderham.—Mr. E. W. Snell proposed the toast of the exhibitors, associated with the name of Mr. Rudland. The Secretary (Mr. Robt. Bond) was also toasted.

MISCELLANEOUS EXHIBITS.

Mr. Webster, of St. Helen's, Ipswich, took the second prize for the most artistic exhibition in the show, with a stand of photographs of acknowledged excellence. They included a representation of the last meet last season of the Essex and Suffolk Foxhounds—a production five feet long—the largest that can be done on any one piece of paper. The enlargement was made direct from the negative without any special work being put into it afterwards. The result was very successful. His other exhibits included flash-light pictures of the amateur dramatic performances at the Lyceum last year, the Royal group at Culford Hall, and carbon enlargements worked up in monochrome. It was to be regretted that Messrs. Cornell and Cornell, as they had a stand at the show, did not bring down an allegorical display of "Frogland," similar to that which has been of absorbing interest to the youth of Ipswich during the past week. By the skill of a window-dresser, one of six who is specially touring the country, and has excelled himself in this performance, they have produced dainty and effective scenes of "Merry angling in the olden time," a dance round the maypole, a love story in four chapters, and acrobatic feats—all to direct attention to a new remedy for "frog in the throat." It is, however, solely as agricultural chemists that Messrs. Cornell figured at the show, the speciality being their new perfect self-digesting calf meal or milk substitute. It is so delicate that it can be easily digested by the youngest calf, and when given in larger quantities as the animal increases in age, causes the perfect digestion of other foods, such as hay and roots. Strong testimonials in its favour have already been received from prominent agriculturists. Messrs. Fred. Smith and Co., of Woodbridge, made an excellent exhibition of roots produced from Suffolk grown seeds. The Suffolk Drumhead cabbages were particularly good, fully equalling the first prize winners in the open class. The Suffolk hybrid turnip should also prove very useful to flockmasters, and the Suffolk improved Green Bark turnips were remarkably fine. Mangolds on the whole were good, and the swedes left nothing to be desired. Among the onions was the new variety of "Seckford King," which was regarded with favour. Messrs. Kenyon and Trott, of Princes Street, Ipswich, showed their K and T one man cross-cut saw, which, as the result of a long experience, is made by them specially for farmers and foresters. They had also a good display of amateurs and carpenters' tools of every description, chaff-cutting knives, cutlery and cyclists' requisites at reasonable prices. Messrs. Cocksedge and Co., of the Eagle Foundry, Ipswich, had on view specimens of the farm implements and machinery for which they have obtained a high reputation. Turnips and chaff-cutters, scales and weights, corn measures, kitchen ranges, and a Robey patent oil engine of two brake-horse power completed a good stand. Messrs. W. Howlett and Sons, of Norwich, made a new departure in bringing into the ladies' department a collection of musical instruments, running from a splendid Bechstein piano down to cheap banjos. Their name as manufacturers, and also as agents for the principal makers, is familiar as a household word in Norwich, and they are doing an increasing trade in Suffolk. All the departments of the show were continued open on Tuesday. The total attendance on the two days, exclusive of season ticket holders, was 6,170. The gate money amounted to £251, or £44 less than last year. In the afternoons and evenings the great attraction was the band of the Royal Artillery from Woolwich, that has already won many favourable commendations in Ipswich. On Tuesday the stewards again considered the disputed ages of Mr. Learner's and Mr. Snell's animals, and decided to refer the matter to the Committee who meet in January. Mr. Robert Bond held the usual Christmas Sale in the afternoon. A word should be added as to the efficiency with which Mr. Bond and his staff discharged the secretarial arrangements. The judges were as under:—Cattle: Mr F Gooding, Debenham; Mr G Gooderham, Monewden. Sheep: Mr Jas Toller, Blaxhall; Mr. T W Hicks, Ipswich. Swine: Mr C Freeman, Creeting; Mr W D Wilson, Cretingham. Roots: Mr S Toller, Woodbridge; Mr T M Rudland, Woolverstone. Vegetables: Mr T Blair, Ipswich; Mr R McIntosh, Felixstowe. Corn: Mr A Sizer, Ipswich; Mr O Mortimer, Ipswich. Dairy produce: Mrs G Gooderham, Monewden; Miss Martin, Hemingstone. Poultry: Mr J Churchyard, Ipswich. Bread: Mr A Lord, Ipswich; Mr H P Closson, Ipswich. Fruit and Flowers, &c.: Mr R McIntosh, Felixstowe; Mr T Blair, Ipswich. Wood carving: Mr P L Groom, Ipswich. Art needlework, table decorations, &c.: Mrs Edward Packard, jun., Mrs R B Bond, and Miss Guyton. The following is the full prize list:—

CATTLE.

Steers of any pure or cross-breed, under three years old, 1, Mr G E Cutting, Pettaugh, Stonham; 2, Mr Cooke, Bury St. Edmund's. Three entries. Fat steer of any pure or cross-breed, bred and fed in Suffolk, and not exceeding three years old, 1, Messrs Alderton and Wrinch, Shotley Hall; 2, Mr W S Everitt, Oulton Broad; r and hc, Mr Henry Brinkley, Sudbourn. Seven entries. Fat heifer of any pure or cross-breed, bred and fed in Suffolk, and not exceeding three years old, 1, Mr T M Rudland, Woolverstone; 2, Mr W S Everitt, r and hc, Mr J C Dawson, Nacton. Four entries. Steer or heifer of the red polled breed, not exceeding three years old, 1, Mr George Stevenson, 39, Norwich Road, Ipswich; 2, Mr T Woodward's Exors, Old Newton; r and hc, Mr T Woodward's Exors. Four entries. Pair of oxen or heifers or mixed, of any breed, not exceeding three years old (not to be drawn from other classes), 1, Mr Rudland, Devon steer and Devon heifer; 2, Mr W E Learner, Dilham Hall, Norwich, Hereford steer and heifer; r, Mr C E Wrinch, Freston Grove, Holbrook, shorthorns. Three entries. Pair of fat steers or heifers, or mixed, under two years old (not to be drawn from other classes.)—1, Mr J J Colman, M P, Carrow House, Norwich, red crossbred steer and roan crosbred steer; 2, Mr W E Learner, Hereford, heifers; r., Mr R H Wrinch, Harkstead, Ipswich, crossbreds. Five entries. Steers, above one year old and not exceeding two years.—1, Mr Edward Snell, Nettlestead Hall, red polled; 2, Mr Rudland, crossbred; r, Mr E Snell, red polled; h c, Mr H Wrinch, cross-bred; c, Mr W S Everitt, cross-bred; Mr J A Lankester, Old Newton, Stowmarket, and Mr Alfred Preston, Worlingworth. Eleven entries. Heifers, above one year old and not exceeding two years.—1, Mr Rudland, cross-bred; 2, Messrs. Webb and Sons, Combs, cross-bred; r, Mr C F H Collisson, Mettingham Castle, pure Sussex. Three entries. Pair of fat beasts, not over-yeared, and not entered in any other class.—1, Mr Henry Brinkley; 2, Messrs Alderton and Wrinch; r, Mr Henry Brinkley; h c, Mr B A Posford, Falkenham Hall. Nine entries. Special prize, presented by Messrs. R. Bond and Sons, for the best steer or heifer of any pure or cross-breed, over three years old, 1, Mr Charles H Berners, Woolverstone, Park; 2, Mr Henry Brinkley; r, Mr Samuel T Harwood, Battisford Hall. Thirteen entries. Special prize, presented by Mr C H Berners, for the best beast grazed on the Woolverstone Estate, 1, Mr Rudland; 2, Messrs Alderton and Wrinch; r, Mr Rudland; h c, Messrs Alderton and Wrinch. Eleven entries. Special prize, presented by Mr Arthur Heywood, for the best beast grazed on the Sudbourne Estate, 1, Mr Henry Brinkley. Six entries. Special prize, presented by the Right Hon Lord de Saumarez, for the best beast grazed by a tenant on the Shrubland, Broke Hall, and Livermere Estates, 1, Mr J R Cooke, Livermere; 2, Mr J C Dawson, Nacton, Ipswich; r, Mr G H Simpson, Creeting St. Mary. Three entries. Special prize, presented by Capt E G Pretyman, for the best beast grazed upon any of his estates in Suffolk, 1, Mr Posford's shorthorn. Three entries. Special prize, £5 5s, presented by Messrs Makens, for the best pair of beasts of any age purchased of them, Mr B A Posford; r, Mr. Arthur Heywood, Sudbourne Hall. Six entries. Champion prizes.—Best beast (steer or heifer) in the yard, ten guineas, presented by the President (Mr. Cuthbert Quilter, M.P.), and silver medal, presented by Jeyes' Sanitary Compound, Mr Rudland, Devon steer, one of pair in Class 5; r, Mr Learner's Hereford steer; h c, Mr Learner's cross-bred. Best steer, under two years old, bred and grazed in Suffolk, five guineas, presented by the Mayor of Ipswich, Mr E Snell, red poll in Class 7; r, Mr Rudland's cross-bred, second same class. Best heifer ditto, five guineas, presented by Borough Members, Mr Rudland, first in Class 8; r, Mr R H Wrinch's cross-bred.

SHEEP.

Pen of three Suffolk wethers, under 23 months old.—1, Mr Joseph Smith, The Grange, Walton; 2, Mr Joseph Smith. Two entries. Pen of three Southdown wethers, under 23 months old.—1, Mr James Blyth, Blythwood, Stanstead, Essex; 2, Mr J J Colman, M P, Carrow House, Norwich; r and h c, his Grace the Duke of Hamilton, K T, Easton Park, Wickham Market. Three entries. Pen of five Suffolk lambs, lambed in the present year.—1, Mr Joseph Smith; 2, Sir Robert Affleck, Bart., Dalham Hall. Two entries. Pen of five cross-bred lambs, lambed in the present year.—1, Mr Thomas Rush, Chalk Farm, Babraham; 2, Mr Spencer Dawson, Stratton Hall. Two entries. Pen of pure-bred lambs, other than Suffolk.—1, Mr James Blyth; 2, Mr. C. R. W. Adeane, Babraham Hall; r and h c, Mr T Gardner, Newmarket. All Southdowns. Special prize, presented by Messrs Cornell and Cornell, for the best pen of five lambs fed on their spice for a period of not less than three months, Mr Joseph Smith. Champion prizes.—Best pen of wethers (£5 5s., presented by the Alliance Assurance Company), Mr Jos Smith's Suffolks; r and h c, Mr Blyth's Southdowns. Best pen of lambs (£5 5s., presented by Messrs. Rands and Jeckell), Mr Jos Smith's Suffolks; r and h c, Mr Blyth's Southdowns.

SWINE.

Champion prize.—Best fat pig in the yard, £3, Mr Edward Snell. Fat pig of any breed, 1 year old and under.—1, Mr William Smyth, Swilland Mills; 2, Mr B Brooker, Bramford Road, Ipswich. Six entries. Pen of 3 pigs, under nine months old.—1 Mr Edward Snell; 2, Mr Jabez Bird, St. Helen's Street, Ipswich. Six entries. Five pigs suitable for the London market, under 112 lbs. live weight.—1, Mr George Gooderham, Monewden, Wickham Market; 2, Mr Edward Packard, jun, Bramford. Four entries. Three pigs, not under 112 lbs. live weight, and not exceeding 190 lbs. live weight.—1, Mr Jabez Bird; 2, Mr Jabez Bird. Six entries. Three pigs for bacon, not under 190 lbs. live weight, and not exceeding 240 lbs. live weight.—1, Mr Thomas Seager, Ipswich; 2, Mr Jabez Bird. Four entries.

SEED CORN.

1894 growth; grown in Suffolk and by the exhibitor. White wheat.—No first; 2, Mr A Pulham, Brandeston. One entry. Red wheat.—1, Rev Arthur Maude, Badwell Ash; 2, Mr John Cooper, Polstead. Two entries. Barley.—1, Lord Rendlesham; 2, Lord Rendlesham; 3, Mr T Woodward's Exors., Old Newton, Stowmarket. Five entries. White oats.—1, Mr Geo H Simpson, Creeting St Mary; 2, Lord Rendlesham; 3, Lord Rendlesham. Four entries. Black oats.—1, Lord Rendlesham; 2, Mr Edward Packard, jun.; 3, Mr N Everett, Rushmere. Five entries. Large beans.—1, Lord Rendlesham; 2, Mr Thomas Brady, Bredfield. Two entries. Small beans.—1, Lord Rendlesham; 2, Mrs Willis, Poplar Farm, Ramsholt; 3, Mr Geo Fiske, Bramford. Five entries. Feeding peas.—1, Lord Rendlesham; 2, Lord Rendlesham. Three entries.

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES.

Six long red mangold, 1, Mr Thomas Chettle, Whitley, Berks; 2, Mr S Robinson, Flowton. Eight entries. Six yellow globe mangold, 1, Mr W E Long, Hurts Hall, Saxmundham; 2, Mr A Pulham, Brandeston, Wickham Market; r and h c, Mrs Willis. Fifteen entries. Six golden tankard or intermediate, 1, Mrs Willis, Poplar Farm; 2, Mr S C Robinson, Copdock; r, Mr John Symonds, Thistleton Hall, Burgh. Nineteen entries. Six swede turnips, 1, Mr Thomas Brady, Bredfield; 2, Mr John Symonds, Thistleton Hall; r and h c, Mr W E Long, Hurts Hall. Twelve entries. Six white fleshed turnips, 1, Mr Thomas Brady; 2, Mr W E Long; r and h c, Mr Chas E Wrinch, Freston Grove; c, Mr A Gerald Smith, Great Bealings. Eleven entries. Six yellow fleshed turnips, 1, Mr W E Long; 2, Mr Thos Brady; r, Mr George Fiske. Nine entries. Six kohl rabi, 1, Colonial College; 2, Mr C E Wrinch. Six red carrots, 1, Mr A Gerald Smith; 2, Lord Gwydyr, Stoke Park; r, Colonial College. Six entries. Six yellow or white carrots, 1, Lord Rendlesham; 2, Colonial College; r and h c, Mr A Gerald Smith. Nine entries. Six cattle cabbages, 1, Colonial College; 2, Mrs Willis; r, Mr George H Simpson. Seven entries. Twelve kidney or round potatoes, 1, Lord Gwydyr; 2, Mr George Fiske. Three entries. Special prize for 12 specimens of Webb's swede, any one variety, drawn from a crop of not less than three acres, 1, Mr Thomas Brady; r, M Edward Snell. Three entries. Special prize for 12 specimens of Webb's mangold, any one variety, drawn from a crop of not less than two acres, 1, Mrs Willis; r, Mr George Fenn, Ipswich. Six entries. Special prizes presented by Messrs Sutton and Sons:—For nine specimens of Sutton's mammoth long red or Sutton's giant long yellow mangel, 1, Mrs Willis. Two entries. For nine specimens of Sutton's yellow globe or Sutton's oxheart mangel, 1, Mr George Gooderham; hc, Mr John Symonds. Five entries. For nine specimens of Sutton's golden tankard, Sutton's crimson tankard, or Sutton's yellow intermediate mangel, 1, Mrs Willis; r Mr W E Long. Five entries. For nine specimens of Sutton's champion, Sutton's crimson king, Sutton's magnum bonum, or any other of Sutton's improved varieties of swede, 1, Mr John Symonds. Four entries. For nine specimens of any one of Sutton's improved varieties of white or yellow fleshed turnips, 1, Lord Rendlesham; r, Mr W E Long. Four entries. Special prizes, presented by Messrs James Carter and Co:—For nine roots of Carter's elephant or kangaroo swede, 1, Mr. George Gooderham; 2, Mr Robert Bond, Lone Barn Farm, Bramford; r, Mrs Willis. Four entries. For six roots of Carter's warden prize mangel, 1, Mr W E Long; r, Mr Thomas Gardner, Portland Lodge, Newmarket. Four entries. For six roots of Carter's mammoth long red mangel, Mr George Gooderham. Only entry. For six roots of Carter's tankard or intermediate mangel, 1, Mr Robt Bond, r, Mr W E Long. Three entries. Special prizes, presented by Mr E Haxell, seed establishment, Princes Street, Ipswich:—For six golden tankard mangel, grown from Mr Haxell's seeds, 1, Mr S Robinson, Flowton; 2, Mr J G Thurston, Tattingstone; r, Mr Wm Dunnett, Gazebo Farm, Woodbridge. Six entries. For six champion yellow globe mangel, grown from Mr. Haxell's seeds, 1, Mr A Pulham, 2, Mr J G Thurston; r, Mr David Lankester, Trimley St Martin. Six entries. For six champion purple-top swedes, grown from Mr Haxell's seeds, 1, Mr Henry Binks, Marsh Tavern, Ipswich; 2, Mr J Richardson, Chelmondiston, Ipswich; r and c, Mr S Robinson; c, Mr A Pulham. Six entries. Special prizes, presented by Messrs Fred Smith and Co, Suffolk seed establishment, Woodbridge:—For six specimens, any one variety of mangel, grown from Messrs Smith and Co's seed, 1, Mr A Gerald Smith, 2, Colonial College. Six entries. For six specimens, any one variety of swede, grown from Messrs Smith and Co's seed, 1, Mr Robert Bond; 2, Mr John Symonds. Two entries. Special prizes, presented by Mr W Addison, seedsman, Eagle Street, Ipswich:—For six golden tankard mangel, grown from Mr. Addison's seed, 1, Mr J Cordle, Freston; 2, the Sanitary Authority, Handford Hall Farm, Ipswich. Two entries. For six yellow globe mangel, grown from Mr Addison's seed, 1, the Sanitary Authority, Ipswich. One entry. For six purple-top swede, grown from Mr Addison's seed, 1, the Sanitary Authority, Ipswich; 2, Mr J Cordle. Two entries. For six yellow carrots, grown from Mr W Addison's seeds, Mr James Southgate, Bramford, Ipswich. One entry. For six intermediate carrots, grown from Mr W Addison's seeds, Mr Wm Garnham, Dale Cottage, Bramford Road, Ipswich. One entry. Special prizes, presented by Messrs Daniels Bros, the Royal Norfolk Seed Establishment, Norwich:—For collection of vegetables, six distinct varieties, to include three champion leeks and three telegraph carrots, grown from Messrs Daniel Bros', seeds, Mr. H. Garnham, Bramford Station, Ipswich.

VEGETABLES.

Competitions open to cottagers and holders of allotments not exceeding 100 rods, presented by Messrs. Edward Packard and Co. Twelve kidney white potatoes, 1, Mr Robert E Winney, Belstead Road, Ipswich; 2, Mr G Giles, Whitton; r and c, Mr Wm Minter, Sproughton. Seventeen entries. — Twelve kidney coloured potatoes, 1, Mr Robert E Winney; Mr A W Lillistone, Stowmarket; h c, Mr James Francis, Eustace Road, Ipswich. Fifteen entries. Twelve round white potatoes, 1, Mr Robert E Winney; 2, Mr F Pryke, Bramford Ipswich; h c, Mr James Francis and Mr A W Lillistone; r, Mr Wm Pooley, Burgh. Twelve entries. Twelve round coloured potatoes, 1, Mr Wm Rumsey, Sproughton; 2, Mr G Giles, Whitton; r and h c, Mr A W Lillistone, Stowmarket; c, Mr F Blake, 9, Gooding's Court, Cox Lane, Ipswich, and Mr. James Francis. Fourteen entries. Red cabbages, 1, Mr Jas Baxter, Burgh; 2, Mr J W Brett, 18, Salem Street, Ipswich; r and c, Mr Robert Garrod, Bramford; c, Mr A W Lillistone, Stowmarket, and F Pryke, Bramford. Eighteen entries. Two garden cabbages, 1, Mr Robt Garrod, Bramford; 2, Mr J W Brett; r and h c, Mr C Grimwood, Chattisham; c, Mr John Powell, Levington. Fourteen entries. Six short carrots, 1, Mr Robert Garrod; 2, Mr Jas Francis; c, Mr G Giles; r and c, Mr John Powell. Seventeen entries. Six long carrots, 1, Mr Robert Garrod; 2, Mr A W Lillistone; r and c, Mr James Francis; c, Mr G Giles. Twenty entries. Six onions (spring sown), 1, Mr J W Brett; 2, Mr Robert E Winney; r and h c, Mr Wm Rumsey, Sproughton. Fifteen entries. Three heads of red celery, 1, Mr A W Lillistone; 2, Mr G Garnham; r and c, Mr G Giles. Fourteen entries. Three heads of white celery, 1, Mr Wm Minter, Sproughton; 2, Mr Robt Garrod; r and c, Mr John Dalby, 55, Samuel Road, Ipswich. Six entries. Three stems of Brussels sprouts, 1, Mr Robert E Winney, Belstead Road, Ipswich; 2, Mr F Pryke, Bramford; r and c, Mr R Garrod; c, Mr G Giles. Thirteen entries. Collection of fruit, 1, Mr Robt E Winney; 2, Mr C Grimwood. Two entries. Collection of cut flowers and grasses, 1, Mr Harry Garnham; 2, Mr C Grimwood. Two entries. Collection of six kinds of vegetables (potatoes one sort), 1, Mr F Pryke, Bramford; 2, Mr A W Lillistone, Stowmarket; 3, Mr C Grimwood; 4, Mr W Smith, Bramford Station, Ipswich; r and h c, Mr Robt E Winney; c, Mr G Giles, and Mr Arthur Wagstaff, 67, Wherstead Road, Ipswich.

POULTRY.

Stag turkeys, 1, Mrs G Harper, Mason's Bridge, Raydon; 2, Mrs Thos Seager. Five entries. Pair of young turkeys, 1, Mrs G Harper; 2, Mrs W Dunnett, Woodbridge. Five entries. Pair of geese, male and female (in feathers), 1, Ipswich Co-operative Society; 2, Mr Charles H Berners. Six entries. Pair of ducks, male and female (in feathers), 1, Mr A Beard, Princes Street, Ipswich; 2, Mr George Fiske. Six entries. Pair of fowls, dressed fit for cooking, 1, Mr Henry Dunnett, 11, Crown Street, Ipswich; 2, Mr A Beard. Nine entries. Dozen hen's eggs, for table use, 1, Messrs. Alderton and Wrinch; 2, Mr. Robert Bond, Bramford. Eleven entries.

BREAD.

Two loaves of home-made bread, not made by a baker, 1, Miss M A Keeble, 11, Warwick Road, Ipswich; 2, Mrs W Dunnett, Woodbridge. Five entries. Fancy bread not made by a baker, 1, Mrs W Dunnett. Two entries. Two loaves of baker's bread, Messrs W and B Daniels, 3 and 5, Crown Street, Ipswich; 2, Mr L J Palmer, 51, Norwich Road, Ipswich. Ten entries. Baker's fancy bread, 1, Mr J R Bailey, Orford Street, Ipswich; 2, Mr W H Cook, Wingfield Street, Ipswich. Four entries.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Fancy butter.—1, Mr W E Long, Hurts Hall; 2, Mr Robert Bond, Bramford. Two entries. Two lbs of fresh butter, in 1lb rolls, the produce of Channel Islands Cows, and absolutely free from salt.—1, Mr Charles H Berners; 2, Mr W E Long. Four entries. Two lbs. of fresh butter, in 1 lb. rolls, absolutely free from salt, entirely the produce of cows not of the Channel Islands breed.—1, Mr Charles H Berners; 2, Mr W E Long; 3, the Executors of Mr T Woodward, Old Newton; h c, Colonial College; c Mr S A Flick, Saxmundham. Twelve entries. Two lbs. of butter, in 1lb. rolls, the produce of Channel Islands cows, slightly salted.—1, Mrs A Foster-Melliar, Sproughton; 2, Mr W E Long. Six entries. Two lbs. of butter, in 1 lb. rolls, slightly salted, entirely the produce of cows not of the Channel Islands Breed.—1, Mr E Francis, Hedenham; 2, Mr W E Long; 3, Colonial College; 4, Mr Charles H Berners; r and h c, Mr T Wainwright; h c, Miss Harrington. Seventeen entries. Suffolk milk cheese.—1, Mrs Barnes, Home Farm, Sudbourn, Wickham Market; 2, Mr Charles Freeman, Framsden, Stonham. Five entries. Suffolk cream cheese.—1, Mrs A Foster-Melliar, Sproughton; 2, Mr Fred Smith, Woodbridge. Three entries. Pint of fresh cream.—1, Mr Charles H Berners; 2, Mr Fred Smith. Six entries. Pint of clotted cream.—1, Mr W E Long; 2, Mr Fred Smith. Two entries.

FRUIT AND FLOWER, &c, EXHIBITION.

Most tastefully arranged dinner table for 8 persons.—1, Miss M Green, Paget Road, Ipswich; 2 Miss Edith Fison, Allington House, Ipswich; 3, Miss May Woods, Salisbury House, Ipswich; 4, Miss Girling, St. Mary Elms Vicarage, Ipswich; r and c, Miss H Moir, Warrington Road, Ipswich. Nine entries. Best group of plants arranged for effect.—1, Mr. W. Beer, 31, Spring Road, Ipswich; 2, Mr C Clover, Westgate Street, Ipswich; 3, Mr R C Notcutt, Broughton Road Nursery, Ipswich. Four entries. Best collection of ferns.—1, Mr C Clover, Westgate Street, Ipswich. Two entries. Best bridal bouquet.—1, Mr George Gilbert, Floral Nursery, Ipswich; 2, Mr C Clover. Two entries. Best ball-room bouquet.—1, Mr George Gilbert; 2, Mr C Clover. Two entries. Best basket of cut flowers, most tastefully arranged by amateur.—1, Miss Staines, 139, Norwich Road, Ipswich; 2, Miss K M G Mason, Lonsdale House, Ipswich. Three entries. Best four dishes of apples of various kinds.—1, Lord Gwydyr, Stoke Park; 2, Mr John Woods, The Nursery, Woodbridge. Four entries. Best four dishes of peas of various kinds.—1, Lord Gwydyr; 2, Mr. John Woods. Two entries. Best stand of goods, suitable for Christmas presents.—1, Mrs J Palser, 62, Warwick Road, Ipswich; 2, Mr W Webster, St Helen's, Ipswich; 3, Mr J F Garnham, 45, Carr Street, Ipswich. Five entries. Best specimen of art needlework by exhibitor.—1, Miss Nora Geard, 17, Earls Court Gardens, Kensington, S.W., afternoon tea cloth; 3 (equal), Miss May Barthorpe, Hill Side, Melton, embroidered portiere; and Miss M Symonds, Manor House, Thelveton, Scole, one dozen dessert d'oyleys; h c, Miss K Andrews, Washbrook, Ipswich, side-board cover. Twenty-nine entries. Best specimen of wood carving by amateur.—1, Mr. T. Parkington, jun., Ancaster Cottage, Ivry Street, Ipswich; 2, Miss Hunt, Anglesea Road, Ipswich. Fourteen entries. The most interesting display, collection, or specimen, exhibited only for this prize, and open to any exhibits not provided for in this prize list.—1, Mr J Drake, Princes Street, Ipswich; 2, Mrs H Boswell, 19, Wilberforce Street, Ipswich; h c, Mr Alfred Gayford, Hervey Street, Ipswich. Nine entries.

MESSRS. SEXTON AND GRIMWADE'S CHRISTMAS SALE.

This well-known firm of agricultural auctioneers held their 33rd annual sale of Christmas fat stock at their mart at Colchester on Saturday, when there was a large attendance of buyers and dealers. No less than 65 fat oxen were entered, 50 fat sheep, and 120 head of swine from the following noted graziers:—H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, K.G., Exors. of Mr. G. S. Mumford (Lavenham), Exors. of Mr. John Morton (West Rudham), Messrs. C. E. Cooke (Litcham, Norfolk), Mr. G. A. Low (Tendring), Mr. Henry Munson (Rivers Hall, Boxted), Mr. F. W. Thompson (Thorpe-le-Soken), Mr. T. Smith (Ardleigh), Mr. S. Carlton (Waldringfield), Mr. J. W. Brittain (Gifford's Hall, Stoke), Mr. G. H. Cross (St. Osyth), Mr. C. H. Chisnall (Frating Abbey), and Mr. F. W. Clarke (Tendring). Trade for best neat quality steers and heifers was fair, and for the bigger beasts slow. Ten beasts from Mr. John Morton's Exors. realised from £25 5s. to £19 15s; Mr. G. A. Low's three beasts £28 10s., £27 10s., and £25 15s.; Mr. H. Munson's beasts from £32 15s. to £21 15s. Mr. Munson's Welsh runt carried of the five guinea prize for the best beast in the show. The Exors. of the late G. S. Mumford with a red-and-white shorthorn steer and heifer took the £5 5s. prize for the best pair of fat beasts. Two Southdown sheep from H.R.H. the Prince of Wales realised 71s. and 67s., and other sheep from 56s. The pork trade was dull, with the exception of a fat sow, which sold for £7 3s. The judges for the prizes were Mr. Robert Cross, of St. Osyth, and Mr. Thomas Hawkins, of Bures.

HADLEIGH CHRISTMAS SALES.

Messrs. Sexton and Taylor held their annual sale at Hadleigh on Monday. About 50 lots were penned. The prizes were awarded as follows:—Pen of five fat hogs, 1, Mr. R. E. Turner, Elmsett; 2, Col. Anstruther. Single hog, Mr. F. Aggiss. Pen of six or more London jointers, 1, F. Garrod, Nedging; 2, B. Mason, Kersey. Sow, 1, Col. Anstruther; 2, Mr. J. M. Postans.—Messrs. Sexton and Grimwade also held their annual sale on Monday. There were 80 lots, chiefly confined to swine, of excellent quality. The executors of Mr. John Long, of Wattisham, took the principal prize for the best pen of five fat hogs, and Mr. R. E. Turner, of Elmsett, that for best pen of three fat hogs. For the best pen of eight or more jointers, Mr. John King, Hadleigh, was awarded a prize. The prize for the best single hog went to the executors of Mr. T. W. Wilson, and a similar prize for the best fat sow went to Mr. F. Elliston, of Bildeston. Mr. H. Meeking was judge.

SCHOOL CONCERT AT IPSWICH.

A new departure was made at Ipswich School on Tuesday evening, when a breaking-up concert was given before a crowded gathering of parents and friends of the scholars. Seasonable decorations brightened the Great Hall, and the new head master (the Rev. P. E. Raynor) and his staff had every reason to be encouraged by the success of the undertaking. The first part of the entertainment included three part songs, and two choruses by the School Choral Society, conducted by Mr. W. R. Alloway. The greatest favourite was Scott-Gath's plantation song, "Goodnight," which was enthusiastically encored. The voices were as a rule nicely balanced, and gave considerable promise. Master C. Spooner gained an encore for "Christmastide," and Mr. C. E. Hammond obtained a similar compliment for his two songs, "Mandalay" and "Oh, my honey, my honey," to which he replied with Rudyard Kipling's ballad "A shilling a day," and "The little Alabama Coon." The Rev. R. W. Richards and Mr. R. P. Richards also each contributed two songs which were favourably received. In an interval of half an hour tea and coffee were served in the Dining Hall; after which the boys gave that lively little comedy, "Ici on parle Francais," with the caste as follows:—Major Regulus Rattan, A. C. Woolner; Victor Dubois, G. D. Harvey; Mr. Spriggens, G. W. McGhee; Mrs. Spriggens, A. J. Pearce; Angelina (their daughter), H. T. Packard; Julia (wife of Major Rattan), C. F. R. Graham; Anna Maria (maid of all work), F. W. Bendall. The stage scene had been carefully arranged by Mr. W. G. Fisk, of the Ipswich Lyceum, while the stage management was undertaken by Dr. Chennells, who is to be congratulated on the way in which he coached the boys and on their excellent get-up. H. T. Packard and F. W. Bendall, as girls, were decidely effective; Harvey was very smart and witty in the character of the Frenchman overcome with love; Woolner was very formidable as the indignant Major; and McGhee, Pearce and Graham did their parts creditably—all were recalled before the curtain.

LABOUR AND WAGES.

STATE OF TRADE IN EAST ANGLIA.

AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS UNEMPLOYED.

Judged by the returns relating to employment received by the Board of Trade, the slight improvement noticed in the condition of the labour market for September and October has been maintained during November. The number of paupers per 10,009 of the population was 223 in November, as compared with 215 in October, a smaller seasonal increase than last year. As to trade in Suffolk, the engineers report a dulness at Ipswich; at one large firm men are being discharged. At Colchester and Chelmsford employment is moderate; at Leiston and Wickham Market it is dull. The moulders report trade as bad; the boiler-makers as moderate. At Ipswich the bricklayers report trade as moderate; stonemasons are busy. At Colchester bricklayers are fully employed. The carpenters and joiners report trade at Colchester as moderate, and at Ipswich as dull, with over ten per cent. unemployed. General labourers throughout the district find employment scarce. No improvement amongst the painters. Boot and shoe trades are slack at Ipswich, but fairly good at Colchester. The retail clothing trade is reported as bad at Ipswich. The stay and corset makers are well employed. At Colchester the clothing trade is good with some firms; with others indifferent. The mat weavers at Sudbury and Hadleigh report trade as bad generally; at Long Melford and Glemsford as only moderate; at Lavenham as good. Employment among dock labourers is scarce; the cigar-makers are on short time; coachbuilders are quiet. The printers are slack at Ipswich, and moderately employed at Colchester.

NORFOLK.

At Norwich the engineers report trade as dull. The building trades at Norwich are slack, many carpenters, joiners, bricklayers and labourers being unemployed. In Yarmouth trade is fair, the carpenters, joiners, and bricklayers having no members unemployed, and few labourers being out of work. The plumbers report trade as bad. In Cambridge these trades are extremely slack, with large numbers unemployed. At Norwich great depression exists in the boot and shoe trade. The clothing and crape factories are running full time, but are not busy. At Yarmouth the tailors report employment as bad. At Norwich the printers are fairly busy; cabinet-makers slack. At Lowestoft, Beccles, East Dereham, Fakenham, Swaffham, Wells, North Walsham, and Cromer employment generally is dull.

AGRICULTURAL LABOUR.

Generally speaking, there were not more agricultural labourers in irregular employment in November 1894, than in the corresponding period of 1893; but it must be remembered that in the autumn of 1893, there was comparatively little threshing to do. In North Suffolk men have been fairly employed in November, but where farms have just become to let the men have suffered in consequence. In the Eye district a number of men are reported out of work. At Debenham and Winston weekly wages are nine shillings. In the Ipswich district the men have been, on the whole, satisfactorily employed up to the end of November; but a number are reported to be in irregular work in all parts of the county, though their numbers are reported not to be so large as in 1893. In East Suffolk weekly wages are 11s., and in West Suffolk 10s. and 9s. in some districts. The Yarmouth and Lowestoft fishing industries are reported as good, those engaged therein doing well.—*Labour Gazette.*

CORRESPONDENCE.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST.

[To the Editor.]

Sir,—A discussion on "How to make the Holy Communion the actual worship of the people," does not seem to attract anything in the way of practicable suggestions or to encourage clergy or laity to give the result of their experience in cases where a serious effort has been made to grapple with the difficulty. I can assure Mr. Baker that nothing was further from my mind than to offer him anything which he could interpret as an affront. I am also sorry that I should have read in "Churchman's" letter a something which happily he disavows. When a goal is aimed at, and one is convinced that it is right to attain it, the way to achieve success is not, I take it, to dwell only on the difficulties which beset the way. Of course there are great difficulties, requiring all the zeal, all the courage, all the tact that can be brought to bear. But the difficulties are as nothing in the balance against the enormous scandal presented by a Church which in theory is Catholic and Apostolic, but in practice—the clergy acquiescing—rejects as of obligation the only service of Christian worship of Apostolic days. To discuss in this connection such a matter as "non-communicating attendance" seems to me to be deliberately dragging a red herring across the path. We have not to deal with a state of things which St. Chrysostom blames, but its exact opposite. We have not Christian people attending the Celebration but for certain definite and culpable causes deferring Communion, but whole parishes and congregations which hold themselves absolved—the clergy acquiescing—from recognising in any way the "showing forth the Lord's death" on the Lord's Day. I will ask "Churchman," just for a moment, to try to imagine what St. Chrysostom would have had to say to that. There is the ideal and the attainable in this as in all matters. The ideal—the primitive custom—was for all the faithful to receive at one celebration every Sunday at least. What we now find is the large majority of our people never attend the Holy Communion, and but an infinitesimal part communicate or attend this service Sunday by Sunday. In a great many parishes the clergy do not celebrate weekly. The first step then, surely, is to place this service in its true place. To celebrate regularly when the most will attend, and to surround it with all the dignity of ritual and ceremonial which the English liturgy allows. Questions of order will afterwards arise, and can be dealt with as the circumstances of our own times and necessities permit. But all these matters are secondary and subordinate to the prime necessity which must be for the "Stewards of the Mysteries" to re-establish the perpetual memorial of Christ's death as the one essential act of Christian worship which no baptised person can be permitted, uncensured, to ignore.

LAYMAN.

CHURCH NOTES AND NEWS.

[Specially Contributed.]

Information from any parish in the diocese (if suitable for this column) will be acceptable, and carefully attended to, if friends will kindly forward it to the Editor of Church Notes, *Ipswich Journal.*

The Bishop of Norwich has carefully considered the proposal to hold the Diocesan Conference of 1895 in Ipswich, and has decided that it had better be dropped altogether for that year, in consequence of the meetings of the Church Congress in Norwich and the British Association in Ipswich.

An anonymous contributor, "in the Master's name," has sent to the Additional Curates' Society £150, to be repeated (D.V.) for the next four years, in order to provide one curate.

The Rev. Clement Smith, vicar of St. Thomas's, Newport, Isle of Wight, honorary chaplain to the Queen, has been appointed to the Rectory of Whippingham, vacant by the death of Canon Prothero.

The Church Pastoral Aid Society has received a legacy of £2,000, under the will of Miss Mary Blissett.

The Archbishop of Canterbury visited Ashford on Saturday afternoon, and addressed a large and influential meeting convened by the Vicar of Ashfield and the Diocesan Committee recently formed for the purpose of Church defence, in view of the attacks on the establishment in Wales.

Archdeacon Johnson will be consecrated as Bishop of Colchester, and Archdeacon Knox as Bishop of Coventry, at St. Paul's Cathedral on Holy Innocents' Day, the 28th.

The *City Press* states in view of a misunderstanding which is apparently very common, that no orders of admission are now required for the Sunday afternoon service at the Temple Church. With the exception of the seats reserved for the Bench and Bar, the whole church is thrown open to all who wish to attend.

A public meeting in connection with the Anglo Armenian Association was held on Monday evening, at St. Martin's Hall, Charing Cross, "To protest against the massacre of the Christians of Armenia by Turkish troops, and to demand that the British Goverment shall, in concert with the European Powers, adopt effective measures to prevent the continuance of these atrocities, to obtain the release of the innocent prisoners, and to secure to an industrious people the right to live peaceably in their native land, and to insist upon the introduction of reforms." The attendance was large, and the Secretary read many letters of apology which had been received, including one from the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, Duke of Westminster, Duke of Argyll, Mr. Gladstone, and others.

The chair was taken by Mr. F. S. Stevenson, M.P., who, in his speech, said it was high time that the Great Powers of Europe should, by concerted action, put an end to this state of things. If the Powers, and especially Great Britain, had recognised their duties and responsibilities, it would have been absolutely impossible for one of these massacres to have taken place.

While one may admit the necessity of a public meeting to drive home the facts of the alleged outrages in Armenia, it is regretable that an attempt should have been made to prejudge the question by Mr. F. S. Stevenson, member for the Eye Division, and his colleagues. These gentlemen, despite the fact that an inquiry has been ordered under the scrutiny of consular representatives of the Great Powers, practically declared the necessity of Europe setting up an autonomous Government in Armenia. Well might the *Times* declare that it is an outrage on fair play for Mr. Stevenson and the Committee of the Anglo-Armenian Association to give public expression to the opinion that this inquiry will be futile. As yet there is no reason to doubt that the Ottoman Government will, as Mr. Gladstone puts it, for its own honour, cordially concur in this searching examination. Admiral J. E. Commerell, who has had thirty years' experience in the affected district, sees no reason to agree with what he describes as the opinions of the uninfluential meeting presided over by Mr. F. S. Stevenson. Under all these circumstances we think that not much weight ought to be attached to the speeches delivered by the members of the Anglo-Armenia Committee, but that they are the rather deserving of counsel. The idea of the promoters of the meeting was probably that the occasion lended itself for justifying the existence of the organisation, but we are only expressing a common opinion by advising Mr. Stevenson and his friends that their hasty action will tend the rather to discredit their organisation.

The lofty tableland out of whose mountain slopes the Tigris and Euphrates begin to flow, is the native country of the Armenians. They are a highly-gifted race, whose sons have made themselves a name in many parts of the world. As successful merchants, able statesmen, bold and courteous financiers, they have been conspicuous in many markets and many Courts. Turkey and Russia have both been able to avail themselves of their services in these capacities. Like the Jews, the great mass of the Armenians do not share the advantages of their distinguished brethren. On their native plains and in their rugged valleys they lead a precarious life under conditions of constant peril and systematic oppression.

The Kurds and Armenians combined to resist a demand for taxes. Some Turkish soldiers were sent to enforce the demand, and they were repulsed with loss. Upon this the Turkish Governor Zekki Pasha, acting, it is said, on orders from Constantinople, sent a regiment with orders to slay, pillage, burn, and ravish indiscriminately. The troops demurred to carry out these savage orders on an unresisting population, whereupon Zekki sent a second regiment with orders to fire upon the first if they still hesitated. Thus compelled, the soldiers obeyed, and scenes of horrible cruelty were enacted. If the accounts should prove, as we fear they will, to be substantially true, the next question is, what can be done?

Letters have been received from Dr. Bliss and Herr von Schick stating that the ironbound door of Neby Daûd, which had remained open against the wall for a number of years, having been recently blown down during a severe storm, there was disclosed on one of the stones behind it an inscription which seems not to have been before noticed. It is in Latin, and according to Dr. Bliss's report, is a votive tablet to Jupiter on behalf of the Emperor Trajan and the Roman people, erected by the third Legion, which takes us back to the interval between the destruction of Titus and the founding of Ælia Capitolina. It was partly covered with plaster, and may have been entirely covered when the door was last opened and shut, which may account for its being unnoticed. It is built into the modern wall, about 15 feet above the ground. Roman inscriptions are very rare in Jerusalem, and this discovery is, therefore, of exceptional interest. A "squeeze" of the inscription is expected to arrive shortly. Up to the date of his last despatches Dr. Bliss was still tracing the line of the old wall, which he had followed for over 1,000 feet.—*The Times.*

At the season of Christmas it may be interesting to think of Bethlehem, which is about eight miles from Jerusalem. The chapel or grotto of the Nativity is a cave in the rock twenty feet below the floor of the church, and approached by two spiral staircases. On one side of the grotto is a recess where a silver star on the pavement indicates the spot where our Saviour was born. Around it is the inscription:—"Hic de Virgine Maria Jesus Christus natus est." Within a fifteen minutes' walk the "Shepherd's field" is reached. A very ancient tradition makes this the spot where the shepherds were watching their flocks by night and received the "good tidings of great joy," the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, goodwill towards men."

The sale of raffle tickets is not safe, and clergymen will do well to note that proceedings have been taken at Peterborough against Canon Moser of the Roman Catholic Church of that place, for publishing a proposal for the sale of tickets in a lottery in aid of the building fund of All Souls' Church and Presbytery, Peterboro', and Patrick Manley was also summoned for selling a ticket in such lottery. In defence, Canon Moser said that he thought if the draw was conducted on the Art Union plan it was legal. On the defendant's undertaking to return the money received for the tickets and the draw stopped, the magistrates said that there would be no conviction, but the Court costs would have to be paid.

The Rev. Edward Clover, M.A., of Jesus College, Cambridge, formerly vicar of Denham, near Bury St. Edmund's, recently died in London. He was ordained priest in 1852. Prior to his residence in Suffolk he was Archdeacon of George, in the diocese of Capetown, South Africa. He left Denham to be instituted vicar of Whittlesford, Cambridgeshire, in 1886, but resigned that benefice in 1891.

IPSWICH: ST. MICHAEL'S YOUNG MEN with the aid of Mr. J. H. Harrison and other friends of St. Michael's Young Men's Society, arranged a musical evening on Monday evening, in the Schoolroom. The entertainment was provided by the Misses E. Smith, Buck, and Damant; Messrs. H. J. Bevan, F. A. Alderson, G. Read, G. M. Gunn, F. G. Browne, Dibben, Brereton, and the Rev. W. A. Smith. The Rev. W. J. Garrould presided.

PETTAUGH: PRESENTATION TO THE RECTOR.

This interesting event took place on Friday last, on the occasion of the Rector's 84th birthday, and the 50th or "jubilee" year of his incumbency. The proceedings were opened by Mr. J. H. P. Cutting, of Abbotts Hall, and Mr. George Mayhew, of Pettaugh Hall, who both spoke in the warmest terms of personal respect for their aged pastor and appreciation of his ministry. The gift consisted of an easy arm-chair and two vols. of Dr. Westcott's Commentaries on the Hebrews and St. John's Epistles. The chair and books were presented to the Rector by Mrs. George Mayhew and Mrs. George Cutting, upon which he seated himself in the chair, as he said with a smile, to "take possession of it at once." In returning thanks, he remarked that he had not prepared a set speech, but preferred trusting to the promptings of his grateful emotions at the moment to express, as he did most warmly, his deep obligations for the most generous and seasonable gift presented to him. It was the more gratifying that, as he understood, every person in the parish had contributed to it, as well as some outside friends. This token of affectionate regard for their father would be most pleasing to his only two remaining children, especially to his daughter, who was born in the parish, and who always took great interest in its welfare. A humorous remark was greeted with a smile when he observed that, whereas the Legislature, in its wisdom, had turned him out of one chair, his parishioners, in their kindness, had put him in another, which he should find quite as comfortable, though he was never otherwise than comfortable in the one taken from him. In looking back upon so long a ministry, he could not but be sensible of many failings; and in describing their handsome gift, which would be a solace to him for the brief remainder of his life, he must therefore ask them to put the short syllable "for" before the word "given," and to regard their gift as a token of their having forgiven his many defects and shortcomings; and he earnestly prayed that God would give him strength and wisdom in his future ministrations amongst them. His fervent prayer also was that they may all meet in that region of "perfect peace" and holy joy in the presence of their gracious Redeemer, where all jealousies, hasty words, and strife, which so often disturb our peace in this present world, would be unknown. Notice also was made by him of the excellent evangelistic work, conducted chiefly by lay workers in the parish, in the mission-room. Several young men had through that means been lately added to the Y.M.C.A., and some young communicants induced to join in the observance of the Lord's Supper.—Afterwards Mr. James Cutting gave an impressive and touching address, acknowledging in affectionate terms the benefits he had from time to time received from the preaching of Mr. Tucker, whom he had known from earliest years. Hymns were sung, and finally the Rector offered up a prayer for a blessing on the parish, and pronounced the Benediction. There was a goodly number present, but several must have been prevented attending by the very wet weather.

CLOPTON.

Special Advent services have been held on Wednesday and Friday mornings, when the Rev. S. Hooke has given an Advent instruction. On the Thursday evenings services have been held in St. Mary's Mission Church, and the Revs. Dr. Banham, R. Bosanquet, and W. Carruthers have been the respective preachers. The congregations have been very good throughout.

EAST SUFFOLK NATIONAL PROTESTANT UNION.

A meeting in connection with the East Suffolk branch of the National Protestant Church Union was held in the Schoolroom, Westleton, on Friday evening last, the Rev. F. H. Nicholls, vicar, presiding. Mr. H. Orchard, of Helmingham, delivered an instructive lecture on the "Reformation," admirably illustrated by magic lantern. The weather, unhappily, was most unpropitious, whereby the attendance was very seriously affected. It is to be regretted that thus so few had the benefit of deriving information on a subject of such vast importance, of which there is reason to fear that a large proportion of both Church people and Nonconformists have but very imperfect knowledge.

ST. CLEMENT'S, IPSWICH.

A service was held on Wednesday evening in this church in connection with the Bible Reading Union, one of the several organisations of this well-worked parish, when short and helpful addresses were given on the object of, the method and and vantages of Bible reading, the addresses being given respectively by the Revs. Shreiber and Jones, assistant curates, and the Rector. The service, although an innovation, was well attended.

BUNGAY CHURCH INSTITUTE.

On Monday evening at the Church Institute Mr. H. Stammers read a paper on "Tithes and endowments." Discussion followed.

CURATES' AUGMENTATION FUND.

A special Council meeting of the Curates' Augmentation Fund was held on Wednesday, at 2, Dean's Yard, Westminster, to receive the recommendations of the Grant Committee. There were present the Rev. H. V LeBas, in the chair, Rev. C. Alfred Jones, Rev. Canon Blackby, Rev. W. Faibs, Dr. Smithinbank, Rev. A. D. Robinson, and the secretary, Rev. J. R. Humble.—The Secretary stated that 20 vacancies had occurred during the past year through deaths, preferments, and other causes, and the Grant Committee recommended that these vacancies should be filled up. There had been between 60 and 70 new and renewed applications, most of whom were very highly recommended, but the Council felt, with their present income, they could not do more than fill the vacant places, together with two extra grants, though they were reluctantly compelled to defer till another year some very strong and pressing cases. Altogether, with the old grants, close upon £8,000 was voted for the year. The number of curates who had served the Church for more than 15 years is now nearly 1,300, and this number is annually increasing, because the number of men ordained each year is greatly in excess of the vacancies which occur and new parishes. It was pointed out that when a curate had been some 25 years in Holy Orders his stipend began to decrease at the rate of £5 every 5 years. The average stipend of all the curates is £130 a year, but of these who had been 25 years at work it was only £118. One-fifth of the men ordained at this season of the year will have to wait 25 years on the average before they can hope to get preferment, and yet the cry still goes up "More curates, more men." The more curates there are the further are they, as a body, removed from preferment, hence the necessity of some supplementary augmentation of income when they get old. This is what the Society does. It makes grants of £50 a year, and faithful Churchmen are earnestly appealed tofor help in this good work.

RAN AWAY WITH £50.

CAUGHT AT HALESWORTH.

On Monday, Charles Beamish, aged 17, was directed by his master, Mr. W. P. Cooper, grocer, of Bevan Street, Lowestoft, to take a bag containing £50, mostly in gold, to the National Provincial Bank. The lad, however, appears to have been overcome by a sudden temptation, for in the afternoon he was seen making tracks in the direction of Kessingland. On Tuesday he was arrested at Halesworth.—On Thursday, at Halesworth Sessions, William Edward Charles Beamish was charged with having, on the 17th December, at Blythburgh, stolen £10 10s. in money and a silver watch from the person of Horace Cooper, of Wenhaston, fisherman. It appeared, from the evidence, that the accused had previously stolen £50 from his master, at Lowestoft, which he should have taken to the Bank, and, instead of doing this, journeyed as far as Kessingland. From there he was given a lift in a cart driven by Mr. Spindler, of Wenhaston, with whom the prosecutor and another were riding. The accused told Spindler he wanted to go to Wenhaston to see a relation, and rode with Spindler as far as Blythburgh Station, and it was during the journey from Kessingland to Blythburgh that the money and watch were stolen from the prosecutor. He took the train from Blythburgh to Wenhaston the same day, but was apprehended by Police-constable Brand the next morning, at Halesworth Railway Station, where he had taken a ticket for Ipswich. Prisoner was sentenced to three calendar months' hard labour.

PRIZE DAY AT EASTWARD HO! COLLEGE.

That the parents and friends of the pupils of Eastward Ho! College, Felixstowe, continue to evince a great interest in the annual entertainment and prize distribution was manifested by the large audience assembled in the Victoria Hall on Tuesday afternoon, in response to the invitations of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson. The items of a well-arranged and excellent programme were very interesting and entertaining. Where everything was so creditably performed it is somewhat difficult to particularise. Edwards, one of the juniors, was very successful in his recitation, "Does he like it? No, he doesn't," his articulation and style being distinctly good. Fisher has a sweet voice, and his song, "The Professor of a High Degree," was well rendered, the pupils joining in the chorus. Selections from Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar," with explanatory connective readings, proved a very interesting item. Mr. Whittle is to be highly congratulated on the excellent manner in which the pupils acquitted themselves. The full programme was as follows:—Pianoforte solo, "Day Dreams" and "Sturm und Drang," Wallis ma.; song, "Oliver Twist," the pupils; recitation, "Somebody," Syer; carol, "Good King Alfred," the pupils; selections from Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar": Brutus, Gleadow; Cassius, Samuda; "Brutus' Oration," Davies; "Anthony's Oration," Fisher; Brutus, Wallis; Cassius, Seager; Brutus, Pipe; Cassius, Marsh. Rounds, "If a Weary Task" and "Stormy Blows," the pupils; fantasia, "William Tell," Miss Thompson, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Whittle, Seager and Johnson; vocal solo, "The British Soldier," Wall ma.; recitation, "A Mortifying Mistake," Crisp; song, "The Emigrant Ship," the pupils; trio, "Gipsy Rondo," Miss Thompson, Mr. Palmer and Seager; round, "May comes Laughing," the pupils; 'cello solo, "Berceuse," Seager; recitation, "Does he like it? No, he doesn't," Edwards; vocal solo, "The Professor of a High Degree," Fisher; dialogue, "Minute Guns," Smith, Everett, Grimwade, Frost, Butterworth mi., Bower, Wall mi., and Wallis mi.; song, "The March Winds," the pupils; dialogue, "The Posers," Butterworth ma., and Taddenham; vocal solo, "The Hare and the Tortoise," Archer; round, "Good Night," the pupils. During the interval between the first and second parts of the programme the prizes were distributed to the successful pupils by the Rev. W. Seaver, vicar of Felixstowe. After the distribution Mr. Seaver complimented the boys on their achievements, and then gave a short and very interesting sketch of Christmas customs and their origin, special mention being made of the "Mistletoe" and "Yule log." Subjoined is the

PRIZE LIST.

5th Form: 1st, Samuda; 2nd, Fisher. 4th Form: 1st, Seager; 2nd, Marsh. 3rd Form (upper): 1st, Pipe; 2nd, Johnson. 3rd Form (lower): 1st, Syer; 2nd, Butterworth ma. 2nd Form (lower): Wall mi. 1st Form (upper): 1st, Wallis mi. 1st Form (lower): 1st, Edwards. Special prizes, for neat and careful work (given by Mr. Whittle), 1st, Seager; 2nd, Marsh. For music (presented by Miss Thompson), 1st, Wallis, ma.

UNDER THE HAMMER.

HALESWORTH.

Mr. A. G. Notley sold, at the Angel Hotel, Halesworth, on Wednesday, the following property:—Two freehold residences, in London Road, Halesworth, in the occupation of Mr. C. Partridge and Miss Winter's representatives; rentals £18 each; Mr. R. A. Lindsey, £560. Two ditto, occupied by Miss Wade and Mr. F. Mayhew; rentals £19 each; Mr. W. Ram, £635. Freehold residence, in London Road, late in the occupation of Mr. Last; Mr. W. Ram, £325.

WATTISFIELD.

The Wattisfield Pottery, with 1a. 3r. 36p. of land, was sold by auction, at the Bell Hotel, Botesdale, on Tuesday evening, by Mr. T. W. Gaze, to Mr. Henry Doe, for £115. An enclosure of arable land, adjacent to Honey Pot Lane, containing 3a. 2r. 35p., realised £57 10s., the buyer being Mr. Doe.

STOWMARKET.

On Friday, Mr. S. A. Turner sold by auction, at the King's Head Hotel, four newly-erected residences, situate on the Downs, known as Laurel Cottages, let at £34. The lot was knocked down to Mr. Walter Gilson (for Mr. Edward Abbott) at £530.

DEBENHAM.

On Wednesday evening Mr. W. H. Preston submitted to competition at the Red Lion Hotel the following freehold property in three lots. A piece of accommodation pasture land with boarded shed was bought by Mr. F. Last for £100. A dwelling-house in two tenements was withdrawn at £90. A dwelling-house and large business premises was withdrawn at £135; it was afterwards sold privately to Mr. Harry Howe for £150.

FRAMLINGHAM AGRICULTURISTS IN CONFERENCE.

Farmers and breeders in the Framlingham district held a double event at the Crown Hotel on Friday evening. The first was in the shape of the annual meeting of their local association for the exhibition of live stock, over which Mr. F. G. Cook presided. The annual report of the Committee congratulated the members of the association upon the distinguished success of their 1894 shows. In the classes for agricultural horses the number of exhibits was well up to the average, and there was a distinct improvement in that department of the show. The sale in connection with the Show was held as usual, and a fair number of horses and foals changed hands at highly remunerative prices. There were no classes for pigs, owing to the swine fever regulations, and it had become an open question whether the latter classes should be continued, as the number of exhibits at the best was very small. The balance-sheet showed a balance in hand of £96 1s. 1d. The report and balance-sheet were adopted, and the Committee were re-elected, with the secretary (Mr. J. Martin) and the treasurer (Mr. C. S. Kidall). It was decided that next year's show should be held on Thursday, July 25th, and that all the usual classes should be included.—The opening meeting of the winter session of the

FARMERS' CLUB,

under the presidency of Mr G. Gooderham, followed. This is in reality a farmers' debating society, and the "hare" (as the Committee described the subject matter under discussion) for Friday last was "The times we live in," by Mr. R. Garrard of Brundish. This gentleman was, however, indisposed, and the "hare" degenerated into a kind of desultory discussion on the present state of agriculture. Mr. Alfred Preston opened the debate and he was followed by Mr. James Youngman, who remarked that hard as the farmers' struggle was there was some good to come out of it, and they might profit in the long run by the hard work which had been thrown upon them in the last ten or twelve years. The Agricultural Conference held in London the previous day had failed to hint at tenant right, and he thought the landlords would have to learn to let their farms on absolutely free conditions. (Hear, hear.) He mentioned that he had been offered only 12s. to 13s. a coomb for a sample of wheat which a prominent miller told him was a very good one, the crop having been harvested before the heavy rains came on, and he thought he must use it himself. He had found, he said, that stock rearing paid well.—Mr. John Whiteman spoke of the "good old times" of 60 years ago, when he said both the farmer and the labourer lived well.—Mr. F. Cook said the one thing wanted before they would see any improvement in their position was better seasons. He failed to see how farmers could make their stock pay when at Ipswich bullocks only made 7s. 6d. a stone.—Mr. F. Read endorsed these remarks.—Several members of the company sang during the proceedings.

FAIR ETHELINA OF EYE.

A CHRISTMAS STORY.

CANTO I.

In the ancient town of Eye,
In the long years gone by
There stood an enormous tower:
Its ruins stand to this hour:
Ruins covered, almost smothered
With straggling ivy and broken brick bats,
And infested by rats and bats and stray cats;
And over the shattered walls,
The spider and earwig crawls,
And the snails leave their trails.
All these, and the rest, you will find if you search
Where the schools now stand, a few yards from the church.
The fierce Richard D'Eye lived here with his wife:
O such a bad life! he was always at strife!
He pillaged and robbed, and he slew with the knife!
And if you had enough curiosity
To read about these deeds of ferocity,
Your heart would smart, and bleed, to read
Of his deeds of atrocity,
Deeds of monstrosity,
Deeds that are hardly fit to be penned,
Deeds that would make all your hair stand on end,
Deeds so terrible,
Deeds incredible,
That the "Penny Horrible" itself would fail
To give an account of his vice in detail.
He had a daughter as bright as the day,
As gay as a jay, and for ever at play.
Her hair was fair, and her figure was spare,
And her eyes were as bright,
As the stars are at night.
Moreover, her age was exactly eighteen,
And she looked like a queen—like an angel, I mean,
She lived in seclusion till she came to this age,
Shut up in the tower like a bird in a cage,
And then she was free—and became quite the rage
Of all the noble knights of the land,
Who came from afar to ask for her hand.
But fierce Richard D'Eye
Sent them away,
One after another,
Not asking her mother,
Nor even the girl what she had to say,
And many a knight,
Dark whiskered and light,
Fled from his spite in a terrible fright.
For these knights he would bite and smite and slight,
And to all he was awfully impolite.
Ethelina the fair would tear her hair,
And wring her delicate hands in despair,
When she heard her father's horrible swears,
As knight after knight was kicked down the stairs.

CANTO II.

One day a great lord, with plenty of bluster,
A fine looking man, dark browed, and robuster,
And richer than any one of the muster,
Took the ferocious Richard apart,
And told him about the state of his heart.
He said that he freely gave all his land
As a fair exchange for his daughter's hand,
And, with very great delicacy,
Offered a legacy
As additional pay, to the family D'Eye;
Nay, further he swore
That he would give more,
To take her away
On the following day.
Then Richard relented, and freely consented,
And signed his name to the marriage deed,
And urged him with speed, with his daughter to plead,
Taking over the lands to himself, as agreed.
Ethelina, however, was very unkind,
This man was not *the* man to her mind;
Besides, he was old, and nearly gone blind,
So, without hesitation, she firmly declined.
Then Sir John pinched her cheek
And cried with a shriek
(It was almost a squeak),
"Hear me speak, you young sneak!
My vengeance I'll wreak,
On all of you here, by the end of the week."
Sir Richard was frantic, and said that his daughter
Should at once be condemned to bed, bread and water;
But the noble lord, with insolent laughter,
Advised him prepare for murder and slaughter;
"For," said he, "in six days you will see me return.
The castle I'll burn,
Every stone over-turn,
And smash all to pieces the whole concern.
It's well that you and your daughter should learn,
As soon as possible how to discern
'Twixt those to respect, and those you may spurn."
Then a week from that day,
Exactly, they say,
His vengeance he took against Richard D'Eye;
For armed troops appeared on Castleton's way,
Alert for the fray, and eager to slay,
To belay, beat, and flay
All who came in their way.
They tore down the grates and the slates and the gates,
They rushed to the kitchen and smashed up the plates;
They threw all the crockery out on the rockery,
They broke open drawers and pillaged the stores,
And knocked down the doors,
And kicked through the floors,
And heaped them together, like men in a craze;
Curtains of baize, chairs, tables and trays,
The family chaise, and a tub full of maize,
And then set the whole, like a bon-fire ablaze.
Thus was the castle destroyed by this rascal,
Who watched from a distance the dazzle and sparkle,
And listened with pleasure to the shouts and the bawls
Of the soldiers who howled round the fire like jackals.
Nought now remains at all of those halls
Except their ruins and crumbling walls.

CANTO III.

Poor Ethelina, pale with affright,
Had escaped in the night,
With a candle alight,
Away from those savages, through the dark passages
Deep underground, still there to be found,
And fled from the library, straight to the monastery,
With her father in tow, who at first wouldn't go,
Till he saw that the only escape from the foe
Was by instant flight, whether he liked it or no.
And so Sir Richard arrived in a funk,
And begged to be taken in as a monk.
For the rest of his days he lived in propriety,
And was famed for his piety, and excessive sobriety.
And Ethelina the fair, she lived as a nun,
The most beautiful one under the sun,
Until her little life's course had been run.

And now that all the nonsense and fun
Of Christmas time once more has begun,
It seems out of place to fill you with fears,
And disfigure your face with creases and tears;
But remember hereafter, when the place you pass by,
To try just to cry a little, and sigh
For the fate of poor Ethelina of Eye.

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AGRICULTURAL LETTER.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

The Live Stock Journal Almanac is always most interesting, containing much useful information to farmers and all connected with stock breeding. The copy for 1895, just issued, is no exception. Writers on local topics include William King, who contributes an article on Suffolk horses; H. F. Ewen on red polled cattle; and Ernest Prentice on Suffolk sheep, each of these writers giving a summary of the show yards and sales of the respective breeds, and a description of the progress made during the past year.

Lord Winchilsea is to be congratulated upon the success of the annual meeting of the National Agricultural Union, held at St. James's Hall last week. If ever there was a time when the three parties interested in this ancient and great industry, viz., the cultivation of the soil, should combine and fight side by side for the revival of agriculture and the readjustment of taxation, it is now. The landlord, with his land unlettable, the farmer on the brink of insolvency, the labourer now experiencing a slight decrease of wage, and a probability of a greater decrease, together with the scarcity of employment—these three parties all suffering from one cause, namely, the low price of wheat, surely the National Agricultural Union should have no difficulty in enrolling them under her banner, to fight in one common cause against the present disastrous state of affairs, and to see whether if the existing price of wheat cannot be made more remunerative, there are not some burdens now imposed on the land which might be alleviated, and some slight inducement offered for us to retain in cultivation the small quantity of arable land we now have in this country. Lord Winchilsea announced that in the affiliated Societies there were between 45,000 and 50,000 members belonging to the Association; 367 branches had been established in different parts of the country; 67 Rural Councils had been elected, and there was a great Central Council whose deliberations were characterised by harmony and common sense.

Probably I feel rather more strongly on the point of amalgamation than the majority of my rural friends, but I must say that I think it is a duty, a pure and simple duty, on the part of all connected in however large or small a way with this agricultural world of ours, to join this one Union, the principles of which, moreover, as far as your humble servant can discern, contain nothing objectionable to whatever creed or part in politics a man belongs. It does not suffice to stand on one side, to be a spectator only, thinking, "Well, if there is to be any benefit done to the land interest, I shall come in for a share." The support and help of each one is needed now, therefore give in your name as a member, and you not only swell the members' list, but there is one less who is interested in the land who does not hold aloof. Let the greater part of these three agricultural parties be united under this one banner, and no English Parliament can stand against it.

The public will see that, as those in other industries have done before us, we are determined to make our voice heard, and by the power of a huge army of voters in our ranks we can command attention, and as far as justifiable have our grievances rectified. Unity is indeed strength.

Lord Winchilsea said, as to the possibility of forming an agricultural party, he might mention that the position of affairs at the present time was that the programme of the Union had been accepted by 173 members of Parliament or candidates in its entirety, while 67 members and candidates accepted the programme in part, so that the total number of members of Parliament who were either wholly or in part with the Union was 240. This was without counting the Irish members, who, when no more burning questions were before the House, might be supposed to support agricultural matters, so that the advocates of an agricultural party in the House of Commons were in the presence of the nucleus of one of the most formidable parties that could possibly be imagined in this or any other country.

The following resolutions were unanimously carried:—"That this Congress, believing that the time has now come when the safety of agriculture imperatively demands the return of a strong body of members pledged to give precedence over every other reform to such measures as may be necessary to revive our greatest national industry, and to support them without distinction of party, is convinced that the first duty of every agriculturist at this crisis is to give his hearty support in that behalf to the N.A.U.; and, in view of the approaching general election, urges every rural voter, before he promises his vote, to make sure that a candidate not only accepts the programme of the Union, but will insist that the first claim upon the time and attention of Parliament shall be given to the just demands of agriculture."

"That this Congress, being assured that the experiments lately conducted on the Cable Farm prove that sugar beet could be largely grown in England to a profit (thus providing employment for thousands of labourers and an outlet for British capital), if it were not for the unfair competition of bounty-fed sugar, records its opinion that bounties granted by foreign Governments in order to enable their subjects to drive English growers out of British markets, are in accordance neither with Free Trade nor Fair Trade, but are acts of commercial war and industrial piracy, against which English producers ought to be guaranteed by a duty equal to the amount of the bounty; and is of opinion that a further injustice is inflicted upon them by secs. 12 and 13 of the Beer Duty Act, which penalises brewers who desire to use second-class barleys and compels them to resort to bounty-fed sugar and other substitutes for malt in the production of beer."

"That this Congress warmly supports the provision of State-aided pensions for working men, as an encouragement to thrift, and a valuable supplement to the work of friendly societies."

The annual exhibition of the Suffolk Fat Cattle Club tends to remind us of the near approach of Christmas; most assuredly if it were not for our calendar and the recurrence of these preceding events, we should doubt that we were drawing near to the old English festive season. Certainly for the last five-and-twenty years I cannot recall one instance when the autumn was held so open as this of 1894. What an unlooked-for help this mild season has been for stock breeders and flockmasters. Some farmers were anxious as to their turnips, so meeting trouble half-way, also speculating as to what they should do, as there were some turnips on such and such a field would not keep on account of the rapid growth of the season, or of the variety they had sown. Although there are acres and acres of both swedes and turnips begging for some flockmaster to feed off, it is a great question, whether in the event of a sharp frost coming upon us in December, if both these varieties of roots would not have much decomposed, and practically have become hurtful to our flocks, more especially swedes, where they were drilled early, for even now we see on some lands many when being prepared for clamping-up more or less decayed.

The Committee, and certainly the Secretary of the Ipswich Christmas Show, are entitled to the warmest thanks and congratulations of the East Anglian agriculturists, and also of the town of Ipswich at large. It is to be feared that this year, with the total receipts at the gate being some £44 short of last year's taking, that the Committee will not be able to show a very prosperous balance-sheet. I believe it was due to the energy and perseverance of Mr. Edward Packard and Mr. Robt. Bond that this Suffolk winter gathering was revived after a lapse of four or five years, and now appears again an annual fixture. It is gratifying to the President (Mr. W. Cuthbert Quilter, M.P.), to know that during his year of office some 7,170 people paid for admission, and from the remarks let fall, that the attractions set forth met with entire approval. In the fat beast department it has been a noticeable feature of late years that the time has passed for making big over-yeared bullocks; it is the young neat beast at our weekly sales, as well as in the shewyard, that commands the most attention. Mr. Rudland's Devon was a true type of the present day requirements, although perhaps we in East Anglia should have preferred to have seen it a red poll instead of being ornamented with the characteristic Devon horns. Mr. Garner's Hereford undoubtedly ran the champion very close, being an exceptionally well-made beast, and the heavier in weight of the two. The subject of dentition has long been a vexed question, and we learn the Committee will have to decide at their next meeting as to whether the judges were justified in passing over Mr. Garner's cross-bred. It is admitted it is difficult to assert the age of an animal within a few months, but when it comes to be a question of a year or more we should imagine the veterinary world is capable of solving the question.

Mr. Rudland was most successful. Also we are pleased to see such well-known exhibitors as Messrs. Ashford, Brinkley, Dawson, and Wrinch maintaining their reputation as graziers, and we only wish prices had been more encouraging. As it was it is feared that the greater part of the cattle would prove a financial loss if a detailed account were kept for the year; and in one instance I believe only a few shillings were shown for a year's keep.

In the death of Mr. Noah Creasy, of Cratfield, a well-known Suffolk face has passed away. Born at Worlingworth in 1825, he was in his 70th year, and few men of his age have been enabled to carry on their business with a zeal such as was always characteristic of the deceased up to the allotted span, three score years and ten, of man. Possessing a warm fellow-feeling for his neighbours, there is no doubt in these hard times he has been a friend to many, as his business connections extended for several miles around. His genial presence will be missed at local markets as well as at leading centres of the cattle trade.

Christmas greetings are now on every tongue, and it would ill become your correspondent to conclude without wishing our readers "A happy Christmas," and may the coming year prove a more prosperous one than the past to the agricultural world.

Professor Long, writing in the *Rural World*, says that Mr. Austen Chamberlain, M.P., has not only joined the ranks, but has been quietly following the occupation of a husbandman during the leisure which Parliament places at his disposal. His farm at Highbury may be described as a small holding, inasmuch as it is not a large one. Mr. Austen Chamberlain possesses a herd of Jerseys, among which are a number of extremely useful animals. They are housed in a neat, well-arranged and substantial building constructed solely for their comfort and without any attempt at display or ostentation. Rations are carefully provided and prepared with the object of obtaining a maximum yield at a minimum cost. The milk is separated in a Laval machine in a perfectly-arranged dairy erected by the Dairy Supply Company, and equipped with the best modern appliances for making butter. There is also a small herd of West Highland cattle. The sheep are Shropshires, while the pigs are Tamworths, and these, like the other stock, are of the very best type. The foreman was very fortunate during the past season in securing his hay in very fine condition. Ricked very smartly on one part of the farm, it is stacked under an extensive and somewhat elaborate Dutch barn with a wooden floor on the other; and, if sold, is certain to realize a good price, in spite of the large supply in the country. Professor Long was unable to carefully examine the arable crops, on the occasion of his visit, owing to the rapidly-gathering darkness of the afternoon, but they are produced upon a principle the object of which is to provide as much feeding material on a small area as possible, vetches, lucerne, roots, and cabbage being grown. Professor Long adds:—"I congratulate the East Worcestershire electorate upon being represented in Parliament by one who, in a quiet and unassuming manner, is pursuing an occupation which does him the highest credit."

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FRIENDLY SOCIETY NOTES.

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The various Lodges and Courts in Ipswich have made arrangements for quite a number of gatherings of a social and business character, which will shortly take place. Prominent among these is the united friendly societies' concert, which will take place at the Grand Café, Butter Market, next Friday, over which P.G. Bro. F. A. Bales has consented to preside.

Last week a most successful meeting of the Loyal "Orford White" Lodge of the Manchester Unity, which meets at the Red Lion, Bramford Road, was held. This new Lodge, which, as we previously stated, is being worked strictly on superannuation lines, is making rapid progress, and promises to become a valuable auxiliary to the Ipswich District, and at the last meeting several new members were initiated. There were a large number of visiting brethren present. During the meeting P.G. Bro. F. W. Canham presented the brethren with boxes for the use of the Lodge furniture and regalia, for which he was accorded a most hearty vote of thanks.

A pleasant gathering of a social character took place on Thursday week, in connection with the "St John's" Lodge of the Manchester Unity, at the Railway Hotel, Derby Road. Bro. Westlake, N.G., Bro. Masters, V.G., and Bro. Aldous, the G.M., presided over a crowded attendance, and a capital programme was creditably gone through, one of the attractions of the evening being the presence of the Oddfellows' Band, the members of which played several choice selections of music, to the great delight of all present. Dr. J. L. Rowe, the Lodge treasurer, in felicitous terms proposed "The health of the Visitors," which was responded to by Prov. G.M. Bro. C. Watson, D.P.G.M. Bro. Geo. Fisher, P.P.G.M.'s Bros. J. Ball, J. Snelling, P.G. Bro. F. A. Bales, and other prominent local members of the Order who were present.

There was a large accession of members to the United Mechanics' Friendly Society at the Saracen's Head, Bury St. Edmund's, on Friday night. Bro. J. V. Richardson presided over an interesting ceremony, which witnessed the initiation of Viscount Chelsea and Mr. Malcolm. The toast of "Success to the United Mechanics' Friendly Society" was proposed in happy terms by one of the new brethren (Bro. W. E. Riley), which Bro. J. Jennings acknowledged. The officers of the Society are to be congratulated on having secured, at one sweep, the largest roll of new members known in the history of the Friendly Society movement in Bury St. Edmund's, no fewer than 38 new members being initiated on Friday.

P.G.M. Bro. John Pye was, on Wednesday, elected a member of the Ipswich Board of Guardians. We heartily congregate Bro. Pye upon his success at the ballot-box.

According to present arrangements, Earl Cadogan, K.G., will be "made" an honorary member of the West Suffolk "Social Design" Lodge of the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows during next month.

The returns for November show the Registrar-General of Friendly Societies enrolled 14 new societies, viz., ten ordinary friendly societies, one dividing institution, one specially authorised society, and two working men's clubs. New branches of existing societies were registered as follow:—I.O. Rechabites 11, A.O. Foresters 6, G.O.T.A. Sons of Phœnix 4, Manchester Unity Oddfellows 3, N.A.I.U.O.O.F. 3, and various others 15.

Manchester Unity brethren in Norfolk have lost a staunch supporter and a true friend of the friendly society cause by the death, which took place last week, of Bro. Samuel Aberdein, of Hindolverstone. The esteem in which he was held by the brethren of his (the "Hastings") Lodge and the Unity generally was manifested by the large and representative attendance at his funeral, which included Bro. H. Flowers, a Past Grand Master of the Manchester Unity, who read the Oddfellows' service. The body was also borne to its last home by four brethren of the Lodge.

The "Amicable" Lodge of the Manchester Unity held its 53rd anniversary dinner at the Bell Hotel, Norwich, on Friday evening, when the chair was occupied by P.G. G. Garerd, sheriff of Norwich. The vice-chairs were filled by N.G. A. Meyer and V.G. C. J. Rowley. The large and distinguished company present spent an enjoyable evening in toast and song.

The Registrar of Friendly Societies' report for 1893 is issued, and shows, for the seventh year in succession, that the I.O. Rechabites has registered the largest number of new branches. The totals are as follow for the I.O.R., Manchester Unity, the Foresters, Ashton Unity of Shepherds, and Druids:—

	England.	Scotland.	Ireland.	Total.
I.O.R.	97	39	1	137
M.U.	58	—	—	58
A.O.F.	27	2	—	29
Shepherds, A.U.	10	12	—	22
Druids	15	1	—	16

The "Lady Evelyn Cobbold" Court of Female Foresters held its second monthly meeting in the small hall of the Ipswich Co-operative Buildings, on Tuesday evening, the C.R., Sister Florence Atack, presiding. One new member was initiated, and the newly-elected surgeon (Mr. J. R. Staddon) attended, and received a most cordial greeting from the sisters. Mr. Staddon returned thanks for his election, and promised to exert himself to promote the success of the Court, which he felt persuaded had a prosperous future before it. The Court now numbers 23 financial members, with a numerous and influential list of patronesses and honorary members. Sister Katie Grayston, of 24, Argyle Street, is secretary to the Court.

SMACKSMAN'S FATAL LEAP AT LOWESTOFT.

John Dale, a smacksman, aged 20, of Clarence Street, Lowestoft, died in the Hospital on Monday from injuries received on the previous Thursday evening. Dale was in one of the swinging boats in the Market Place, and while it was in full motion rose from his seat to change places with his companion. He missed his hold, and was dashed to the ground with terrific force a distance of sixteen feet. He never fully recovered consciousness.

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WOMAN'S WAYS AND WORK.

[SPECIALLY CONTRIBUTED.]

According to present arrangements the Queen will go to Cimiez, near Nice, at the end of March, and will spend a month there. She will reside at the Grand Hotel. The grounds of several of the best villas have been placed at the disposal of the Queen during her stay, also the famous Valrose Estate, which belongs to a Russian, Baron Paul Von Derweis. Roads will be made to connect these grounds with one another and with the hotel, so that the Queen will have miles of drives through the private grounds of the largest and finest villas in Nice and the vicinity.

Space would not permit of any mention being made last week of the gowns worn at the wedding of Lady Margaret Grosvenor. According to the accounts given in the different papers one of the prettiest gowns worn was that of the Marchioness of Ormonde; it was composed of royal blue Lyons velvet, trimmed with gold guipure lace and chinchilla, with a vest of blue cloth embroidered in gold. The cape was of the same velvet, lined and bordered with chinchilla, and trimmed with guipure. Her toque was of velvet, with cream cloth and petunia coloured dahlias, and her muff, of velvet also, had the same flowers and chinchilla.

The going away gown was of electric blue mirror velvet, trimmed with lovely sables. Hat, cloak, and muff to correspond.

It is rumoured that the exhibition of pictures at the Grafton Gallery next season will represent childhood in art. Whether the exhibition will be limited to the child as painted by English artists, or whether a wider scope will be allowed, is not yet known. Anyhow, the exhibition will bid fair to rival that of last season.

The *East Anglian*, in a leading article upon women Guardians, in Tuesday's issue, was not complimentary as regards the tender-heartedness of the fair sex, and bases its hope of their non-interference in matters touching the administration of the Poor Law upon the "notorious tendency of women to err upon the side of hardness," which tendency, says the *East Anglian*, "will soon assert itself, and put an end to heresies about out-relief and similar subjects." We do not hesitate to say that the above statement is a libel. Who erred on the side of hardness, Godiva or her lord? Queen Phillippa or King Edward? Who was it who first attempted to alleviate the sufferings of criminal prisoners? Mrs. Fry. Numbers of other philanthropic women might be mentioned. Only the other day a chorus girl was taken ill at one of the London theatres, the Prima Donna sent her home in her own comfortable carriage, whilst she walked herself in drizzling rain to her destination. There are, of course, Messalinas among women as there are Bloody Jefferys among men, but they are the exception, not the rule.

There is no doubt women are making the men "sit up" just now, and so perhaps an uneasy feeling that the feminine Guardians may take the shine out of the masculine Guardians prompted the sarcastic remarks of the *East Anglian* writer. Perhaps women are not so easily gulled as men.

But, as the same contemporary pointed out, the administration of the Poor-law is not the end and aim of a Guardian's existence. Another most important subject for their consideration is that of sanitation. This is a subject, as even the *East Anglian* admits, well within the scope of womenkind. Many women have of late years made hygiene their study. Miss Hilda Morgan-Browne (who is a lecturer on hygiene) has written a series of simple and instructive pamphlets, entitled "Health in our Villages." A 6d. publication by the S.P.C.K., called "By Hook or by Crook," consists of several brightly-written stories by Miss Agnes Giberne, which show forth vividly the evils resulting from want of cleanliness and lack of air.

The Editor of the *Hearth and Home* has recently offered a prize to amateurs for the best design for a safety-pocket. The result of the competition was announced in last week's issue. The prize was divided between two competitors. "Kay's" idea was to have a double pocket, the inner one open at the end and drawn up with elastic. Through this hole the purse could be dropped, the elastic being tight enough to prevent the purse being taken out by a pickpocket without a severe tug. Mrs. Fitzherbert's suggestion was for a pocket made in the ordinary way, but with the side nearest the person made double to form an inside pocket, the opening to this inside pocket being concealed by a three-inch-deep flap.

The inhabitants of Kensington have been much disturbed lately by the rumoured existence in their midst of the "stabbing woman." This mysterious person, who dresses in black, asks her way of solitary pedestrians, and whilst they politely answer her enquiries she stabs them in the face with a knife, making the eye the special mark for her attack. The police so far have been unable to trace her. After the many horrors enacted in the streets of late the question has arisen, "Is London unsafe?" Certainly, for the first city in the world its fashionable, and also some of its most frequented parts, are extremely badly lighted. In South Kensington, near Cromwell Road, in the streets near Praed Street Station, and in the Marylebone Road, lamps are few and far between, and there is many a dark space and corner where murder might be committed with impunity.

Santa Claus, Santa Claus, is the refrain of the children just now. This is the familiar name for S. Nicholas of Myra, who is the patron saint of children. S. Nicholas is said to have supplied three destitute maidens with marriage portions by throwing a bag of money through a window into the house where they lived, upon three successive nights. For this reason, and because his day comes in December, he has been chosen for the gift-giver on Christmas Eve.

Children throughout Catholic Europe are still taught to reverence S. Nicholas. On Christmas Eve if they have been good and docile, they expect him to fill their stockings with gifts, but he is supposed to hold a rod in pickle for the idle and unruly. No saint in the calendar has so many churches and chapels dedicated to him. There is hardly a town in England without one church at least bearing his name.

The latest novelties in jewellery this winter are the enamel or gold ornaments, and very pretty they are. Lace brooches composed of bows of blue, red and green enamel. Safety-pin brooches with little hearts and red and green enamel. Gold chain bangles, with a row of cabochons of enamel set round with diamonds. The presents given by the bridegroom to the bridesmaids at Lady Margaret Grosvenor's wedding were heart-shaped brooches of blue and white enamel.

The medley of colours and trimmings used in millinery this year in town cause the hats and toques to present a rather bizarre effect. A hat in a shop in Bond Street was of black felt, and had the crown encircled with bright green velvet and a large twist of bright electric blue in front. Toques are to be seen trimmed with fur, flowers, wings, velvet, and paste ornaments all at the same time. However, some of the hats and toques are very pretty; bonnets are conspicuous by their absence.

A large black velvet hat had a gathered brim of velvet and a small plain velvet crown. A large tuft of ostrich tips, black also, stood up in front, and at the back was a clump of black satin loops—not a rosette or a large bow. A very striking granny muff was made of dark green velvet, lined with pale yellow flowered silk, and trimmed with a large bow of yellow satin ribbon, a little fur animal, and a huge bunch of Marie Louise violets. There was a velvet toque to match of the Tam-o'-Shanter shape, trimmed with a sable tail, large tuft of violets and upstanding loop of yellow.

The prettiest underskirts shown in the London shops were those of black satin, brocaded with sprays of coloured flowers; they look very smart. A skirt for an evening gown was of white satin, bordered with three rows of narrow dark brown fur. Certainly bright colours are nice for winter, and a rose-coloured velvet cape trimmed with dark brown fur looks deliciously warm for evening wear. Green is very much worn, and all shades of purple.

Wishing all the readers of the *Journal* "A Happy Christmas."

CLELIA.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT LEEDS.

Thirty runaway waggons crashed into three carriages at the Great Northern station, Leeds, on Tuesday. One carriage was forced on the platform. Fortunately, no one was injured.

CAVE DWELLINGS AT STOCKPORT.

The Stockport magistrates have, after a prolonged hearing, decided to close about 50 of the slums in the town. This action arose out of the prosecution by the Town Council through their medical officers, who declared that the tenements were uninhabitable, and that many of them had disgusting surroundings. The medical officers described some of the houses as being caves cut out of the rock. Several property owners were fined.

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Lord Tweedmouth's offer to give £2,000 to the Anti-Parnellites is to be brought under the notice of the House of Commons. It is regarded as a serious breach of the privilege of Parliament, if it can be proved, in that it constitutes an attempt by a member of the Government, who is also a Peer, to bribe members of the House of Commons by a promise of money.—*Irish Daily Independent* (Parnellite).

WHERE THE LABOURERS' MONEY GOES.

ANOTHER LABOUR FEDERATION EXPOSURE.

We have received the following letter for publication respecting the finances of the Norfolk and Norwich Amalgamated Labour Union, of which Mr. George Edwards is secretary:—"Sir,—I have just obtained from the Registrar-General a copy of the balance-sheet for the above Union for the year ending December 31st, 1893. The following extracts may have some interest for the working men, who, out of their hard-earned pence, have had to find the cash to pay the piper:—1st. The income is returned at £211 0s. 11½d. 2nd. The grants to members, salaries of officials, &c., £312 8s. 11d. 3rd. The officials' salaries, &c., being put down at £236 4s. 9d. From which it appears that the officials' salaries and other expenses came to £74 16s. 2½d. more than was received for that year. 4th. The grants to members, &c., is returned at £69 19s., shewing that for every pound distributed to members, nearly £3 10s went for salaries and expenses. 5th. The funds in hand are set down at £71 3s., or only about 2s. per member. Had the labourers put their pence into the Post Office Savings Bank they would have been far wiser than having put it into the sinking fund of a Union like this, to be devoured and swallowed up by official and other expenses.—Yours, &c.,

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Ipswich.

THE IPSWICH FLOWER SHOWS.

SHALL THEY COLLAPSE.

A VIGOROUS APPEAL.

Mr. R. M. Miller presided over the annual meeting of the Ipswich Horticultural Society on Thursday afternoon. Mr. H. E. Archer (secretary) presented the financial statement. The payments for the year amounted to £347 16s. 3d., including prizes July show, £91 6s.; ditto, November show, £69 10s.; bands, £82 18s.; hire of Public Hall and Drill Hall, £24 17s. 6d.; table decorations and illuminations, £14 12s. 5d.; judges, £12 14s. 6d.; printing and stationery, £15 8s. 1d.; and secretary, £20. The receipts included a balance of £1 16s. 11d. brought forward; subscriptions, £113 9s.; arrears of ditto, £6 18s.; donations to prize fund, £16 7s. 6d.; gate money, July show, £19 4s. 6d.; ditto, November show, £143 11s.; and advertisements in schedule, £6 11s.; with various smaller items, amounting to £6 5s. 6d. The year's payments thus showed an adverse balance of £33 12s. 10d. Bills to the amount of £14 17s. 10d., due in 1893, had been paid in 1894; and thus the total adverse balance was £48 10s. 8d.—Mr. Edgar Mayhew remarked that this year there was a loss of £60 gate-money as compared with the previous year. Mr. Mayhew proposed several alterations in the rules, of which one was carried, viz., that seven days' notice shall be given before the annual general meeting of any proposed alteration.—The Duke of Hamilton was re-elected president, Mr. G. E. Moberley was added to the list of vice-presidents, the Rev. H. A. Berners was re-appointed hon. secretary, and Mr. H. E. Archer secretary.—On the motion of the Chairman, a vote of thanks was passed to Capt. Pretyman for his gift of trees for the November show.—The Rev. H. A. Berners, returning thanks to the meeting for having elected him hon. secretary for the fifteenth year, recalled the time of his first election when he and others managed to get ninety-two vice-presidents each subscribing one guinea. Now there were only about 50. There was no doubt that the Society now was

AT A VERY LOW EBB.

They had not to go far to find reasons for this state of things. For years they had had the most wretched weather it was possible to have, and even when as an exception to the rule they had been favoured with brilliant weather as they were in the Jubilee year, the gate money at the summer show amounted to only about £20. If the Society was to go on, the leading people of the town and district must come forward and help them out of their difficulties. The subscriptions from the town and neighbourhood during the past year reached only the miserable total of £113. He thought it was disgraceful that the people of a town of the size of Ipswich, and with such excellent surroundings, should give no more. The Society at Bury St. Edmund's had a balance of £67 in hand, and the Society at Norwich had a much larger sum in hand. If the leading people in Ipswich would not support the Society, he thought the best thing that could be done would be to call a special meeting to wind it up. He put the question to the meeting whether they thought it advisable such a step should be taken or not. He deplored that not only the subscriptions, but the attendance had been falling off compared with what it used to be, and that the Society had to rely for its gate money on the populace who came in the evening to hear the band, and see the fireworks.—Mr. Fred. H. Fosdick thought that Mr. Berners in his zeal for the Society had put the dark side of the case rather too strongly. There was a great deal of truth in what he had said, and the Society undoubtedly was in a low state, but it was not irretrievably behind—there was no need to wind it up. One good day, with the help of the Ipswich people, would put them in a solvent position again. He believed that the Ipswich people, when they were asked properly, were a generous people, and he appealed to them to help the Society, improve the growth of flowers, and the love of flowers in their midst. In conclusion, Mr. Fosdick proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Berners for the valuable services he had rendered as hon. secretary. This was carried *nem. con.*, and a suggestion by Mr. Notcutt, that it might be possible to hold a show on the occasion of the meeting of the British Association in Ipswich in September, was referred to the Committee.

MARKETS.

IPSWICH CATTLE, Tuesday.—On the general market there was a short supply all round, and the trade was slow. Animals penned, exclusive of sale yards:—27 horses, 287 fat and store beasts, 299 sheep, 341 swine.—Messrs. Robert Bond and Sons report the supply of stock was about the average for a market following the Christmas sales. Prices for fat cattle of good quality were well maintained, but rough animals commanded very little attention. Fat sheep again met a brisk trade, Messrs. Wilson's Suffolk hoggets making up to 61s. 6d. Southdown hoggets for grazing purposes made 31s. Several calves were penned, and made satisfactory prices. A large supply of fat and store swine, trade ruled dull and in favour of buyers. Several cows were forwarded, but the demand was not so good as it has hitherto been, and prices were lower. Numbers at sale:—Beasts 61, sheep 120, calves 28, swine 260.—At Messrs. Spurling and Sons' Sale Yard, being the week following their annual Christmas show, there was only a nominal sale; the few animals offered being in fair demand. Numbers penned:—12 beasts, 2 calves, 52 sheep, 174 swine.

IPSWICH CORN, Tuesday.—Wheat not much offering, demand very slow at the bare prices of last week; reds 20s. to 22s., whites 21s. to 24s, revets 19s. to 21s. per qr. Barley trade quiet and inactive. Oats, maize, and grinding barleys the turn lower. Other feeding corns and cakes unaltered.

SAXMUNDHAM CORN, Wednesday.—No chaunge to report, and but few samples on offer. Trade was very dull, and the attendance was very small.

HARLESTON CORN, Wednesday.—Wheat about the same as last week. Last week's quotations made in what little business passed in barley, oats, maize, beans, peas, and feeding stuffs.

BURY CATTLE, Wednesday.—Very short supply of fat beasts, for which there was not much change in value as to average price per stone. Comparatively few fat sheep, and no perceptible variation in quotations generally. Moderate show of fat pigs, stores and London jointers, which failed to maintain former rates. In some instances fat hogs fetched from 4s. 9d. to 5s., but a few more reported as having reached nearly 5s. 6d. per stone of 14lb. on an average. Store beasts included some Irish cattle, which were not in particular request and a clearance was by no means effected. In all the departments of the market there was only a moderate business transacted, as is usually the case on the Wednesday immediately before Christmas Day.

BURY CORN, Wednesday.—Market quiet all round, with very little doing. Wheat supply short, and demand slack; prices practically unaltered. Reds 21s. to 22s., whites 21s. to 24s., revets 19s. to 20s. per qr. Barley trade slow, especially for low qualities; good parcels nominally firm. Feeding corns weak, and the turn lower.

SUDBURY CORN, Thursday.—The market to-day was almost deserted, there being simply no business doing.

BURY CORN, Thursday.—Very thin attendance. Wheat, easier to buy, may be quoted 20s. to 21s. for reds, whilst 21s. to 22s. would cause whites to change hands. Malting barley, fair supply, ruled 18s. to 30s. per qr. Feeding stuffs quiet, and of a holiday nature.

STOWMARKET CORN, Thursday.—A very dull market, with only a limited supply of wheat, which sold slowly at about last week's prices, or perhaps a shade less; reds 20s. to 22s., whites (hardly any offering) nominally 21s. to 23s. per qr. Barley, moderate supply, with dull demand at late rates. Feeding corns in some instances cheaper on the week.

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Norwich ...... "	7 35	11 0	...
Harwich ...... "	6 40	9 25	6 50
Ipswich ...... "	7 35	10 17	7 35
		p.m.	
Peterboro' ...... "	10 20	1 55	10 5
Rugby ......arr.	11 37	3 38	12 13
	p.m.		p.m.
Birmingham (New Street) ...... "	1 20	4 45	1 43
Liverpool (Lime Street) ...... "	2 35	6 30	4 5
Manchester (London Road) ...... "	2 30	7 28	4 5
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.
Manchester (London Road) ......dep.	8 30	2 10	11 45
Liverpool (Lime Street) ...... "	7 40	2 0	11 30
Birmingham (New Street) ...... "	9 20	4 0	12 50
			p.m.
Rugby ...... "	11 0	5 2	2 35
	p.m.		
Peterboro' ......arr.	12 40	6 25	4 50
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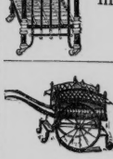

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